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San Jose State at Stanford (R)
Sept. 28 Purdue at Notre Dame (R)
Florida at Florida State (R)
Colorado at California (R)
Holy Cross at Harvard (R)
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Oct. 12 Penn. State at UCLA (R)
Mississippi at Georgia (R)
Wyoming at Brigham Young (R)
Montana at Idaho (R)
Oct. 19 Alabama at Tennessee (R)
Northwestern at Ohio State (R)
North Texas State at Tulsa (R)
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Nov. 2 Dartmouth at Yale (R)
Texas Tech at Rice (R)
Indiana at Wisconsin (R)
Clemson at North Carolina State (R)
Nov. 9 Purdue at Minnesota (N)
Nov. 16 AAWU* (R)
Big Ten* (R)
Southwest* (R)
Big Eight* (R)
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Nov. 23 Nebraska at Oklahoma (N)
USC-UCLA (N)
Nov. 28 Texas A&M at Texas (N)
Nov. 30 Army-Navy (N)
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It took us two years from idea to reality, but Michigan Football has finally arrived.

The back-breaking job required in putting together such a publication staggers the imagination and frankly required more effort than we ever dreamed would be necessary.

But because we wanted to bring the football fans of Michigan an outstanding magazine, we had to devote the thousands of hours that we did to its make-up.

The Big Ten section is one of the most complete anywhere. It contains more print about the popular collegiate conference than can be found in any other magazine.

The MAC is written as completely as Hal Bateman, sports information director at Western Michigan University, could write it.

Obviously, no other publication devotes as much space to the small colleges as we have devoted to Michigan's, while we also have more on the professional Midwest League than anyone else.

And of course, there's our high school format.

Over 12,000 names appear in it alone and it took the work of many people to bring it together.

Hardly anyone thought we could compile so complete a section on the 660 football-playing schools in the state.

Even the coaches couldn't believe it. We completed our section despite the lack of help from several of them, but to the many who helped us, we thank them from the bottom of our hearts.

We are also quite proud of our staff of writers.

Though all are young, all are energetic and excellent reporters, who covered beats that they know best. We feel we have one of the most qualified staffs of writers of any such publication.

We hope this first issue of Michigan Football pleases you as much as it does us. We already are hard at work readying for next year's issue, with an eye to more features and improvements for the critical Michigan football fan.

We invite your comments, suggestions, and criticisms of this first volume.

It is you the public who will decide our future in bringing the most complete Michigan football coverage together in one magazine.

Sincerely, Timothy Staudt Managing Editor

ABOUT THE COVER—Football in the state of Michigan can be summed up in the thirty squares that line the surface of Michigan Football magazine's first cover. Over 75 design hours were spent on the layout by designer and production manager Jerry L. Fischer, who has won over 20 graphic awards the past four years. Each square represents an individual segment of football as it is played in the Wolverine State. We picture five portraits alone of Michigan's great halfback Ron Johnson, the first Wolverine ever to run for over 1,000 yards in one season, which he did last fall. He's the state's top All-American candidate. We see the gazes of the state's top two college coaches. There's amiable Duffy Daugherty and his elfish Irish grin and Bump Elliott, who seems to be gazing into the future pondering the fate of his '68 grid warriors. We see brilliant colors—from the maize and blue helmet to the familiar block 'S' that has become legendary in East Lansing. We see the back of the graduated standout from Wayne State, A. J. Vaughn, who led the nation in total offense last fall. And, there are small college views—from the yellow and brown hues of Western Michigan to the central location of Central. There's the look of small college splendor in the megaphone that might represent Adrian, Albion, or Alma. We see the stylish letter sweater from Eastern Michigan, that might also be worn on the chest of a player from Escanaba High School. There's the look of the lion, meaning the Detroit Lions, and their businesslike league symbol of the NFL. Above the lion is the determined look of a typical NFL player, who seems to be staring coldly into an opponent's eyes. There's the high school pep rally-type letters that form the words "685 Prep Teams", the vast number of schools that play the pigskin sport across the state. Among all those coaches is Jack Finn, Battle Creek Central's mastermind who has led his Bearcats to championship after championship in his short tenure, just as so many other coaches have done. There's action shown from a Detroit Public School League game. The preps play just as hard as the pros. And, there's the look of football in Michigan itself. From the fierce look of rugged linemen to the perfectly symmetrical stripes of a playing field—from the roar of a crowd to the magnificent half-time show of the marching band—from the diagrams on the coaches blackboards to the simple pigskin itself. The familiar trademark of Sportspress brings the spectacle to the fans in the following pages. It's all wrapped up in the lower right corner, where the wild, wavy, and youthful "68" symbolizes the kind of football that will be played across the state this fall. Bring on Michigan Football!

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PURDUE SHOULD BE CLASS OF BIG TEN

BY TIM STAUDT

It should be Purdue undisputed, as Big Ten football champion in 1968.

Coach Jack Mollenkopf's team had to share the honors with both Indiana and Minnesota last fall, when the Boilermakers were upset at Indiana on the last day of the season, 19-14.

Purdue on paper has perhaps one of its greatest teams ever.

Led by the incomparable Leroy Keyes, there are outstanding players everywhere, a fine sophomore crop, plus Perry Williams and Mike Phipps to complement elusive Leroy in Purdue's star-studded backfield.

The Boilermakers' biggest pest should be Ohio State. Coach Woody Hayes is cautiously talking championship this year, after finishing a strong 6-3 last season. The key game in the conference may take place on October 12, when the Buckeyes play host to Purdue.

Ohio State has a fine crop of runners, plus elusive quarterback Billy Long to direct the attack.

In addition, the Buckeyes only have to go on the road three times—at Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa, three of the weaker clubs in the conference. With some good fortune, the Buckeyes just might dethrone the Boilermakers.

The rest of the race should produce turmoil.

It's hard to count Indiana out of anything, from first to tenth, just because of the surprise antics the Hoosiers are always capable of.

Indiana has a good nucleus of stars returning from last fall's Rose Bowl contingent and the club doesn't play a brutal conference schedule.

The key game may again be the finale, but this time Indiana has to play Purdue in Lafayette and if the chips are on the line, it's a good bet Purdue won't lapse again.

The Hoosiers won so many games so many unbelievable ways last fall, it's hard to see them doing the same again. A slip or two looks very possible.

Though Michigan State suffered through a horrible season last fall, the Spartans are just too dangerous to eliminate from the running in '68.

A good nucleus of talent returns and Duffy Daugherty has always produced a solid winner after each one of the only three losing seasons he's had in 14 at the green and white helm.

Minnesota needs a quarterback and a ton of depth, but the Gophers should be another stingy defensive outfit. That alone could make Minnesota tough.

But the Gophers have some holes to fill and don't figure to be as impressive as last season.

Northwestern could be the surprise of the conference.

The Wildcats play one of the most brutal first-half schedules that a college football team can play.

Northwestern could easily lose its first five games, but then just as easily win the last five. All are conference games and none appear to be against the stronger teams.

Coach Alex Agase has some outstanding players and a lot of daring in his offense. Northwestern fans won't be bored in '68.

Michigan has Dennis Brown and Ron Johnson in its backfield and they alone will make the Wolverines a dangerous offensive club.

Illinois is in a down year, but still figures to be a game or two better than Wisconsin.

Rich Johnson is a fine runner and Bob Naponic appears to have shaken off a '67 injury to his leg.

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1) *With one of the finest backfields in the nation, Purdue should rule the roost in the Big Ten. Leroy Keyes, Perry Williams (above) and Mike Phipps are all All-America candidates. Tremendous line strength, as the Boilermakers are shown above giving Williams against Iowa last fall, is another big factor.*

Ron Johnson, Michigan halfback, who rushed for 1,005 *yards in the* 1967 *season, drives through for eight yards against Indiana after being apparently trapped. Johnson was the first Wolverine back to gain more than* 1,000 *yards in Michigan history in one season.*

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The Badgers meanwhile, have no place to go but up and might do it.

All offensive line starters are back and three of the backfield members started at least one game last season.

The outstanding player in the conference again appears to be Keyes, Purdue's do-everything back.

Among the better sophomores, Bill Dawson is an outstanding line prospect at Michigan State, while Larry Highbaugh is a fine pass receiver at Indiana, as is Terry Addison at Minnesota.

A look at some other possibilities:

Best team: Purdue
Best player: Leroy Keyes, Purdue
Darkhorse team: Northwestern

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1) *Wisconsin is aiming to rebound this fall. The Badgers have ten offensive starters back, including fine runner John Smith (top), shown here against Michigan State.*

2) *Michigan State is due to bounce back to respectability in the Big Ten this fall. Many sophomores-now-juniors, like LaMarr Thomas (lower), are experienced and ready to start with a clean slate.*

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Best bet for most improvement: Michigan State
Best bet for biggest fall: Minnesota
Toughest schedule: Northwestern
Easiest schedule: Ohio State
Best bet for Coach of the Year: Woody Hayes, Ohio State

RANKING THE TEAMS BY STRENGTHS:

BEST OFFENSIVE BACKFIELD:
1. Purdue
2. Indiana
3. Ohio State

BEST OFFENSIVE LINE:
1. Purdue
2. Ohio State
3. Indiana

BEST OVER-ALL DEFENSE:
1. Purdue
2. Minnesota
3. Indiana

BEST INDIVIDUAL RUNNERS:
1. Leroy Keyes, Purdue
2. Ron Johnson, Michigan
3. Perry Williams, Purdue

BEST INDIVIDUAL PASSERS:
1. Mike Phipps, Purdue
2. Dennis Brown, Michigan
3. Harry Gonso, Indiana

MOST DANGEROUS PLAYERS:
1. Leroy Keyes, Purdue
2. Chico Kurzawski, Northwestern
3. Dennis Brown, Michigan

BEST INDIVIDUAL RECEIVERS:
1. Al Bream, Iowa
2. Jade Butcher, Indiana
3. Leroy Keyes, Purdue

Now, picking the winners game-by-game, a projected look at the possible final standings:

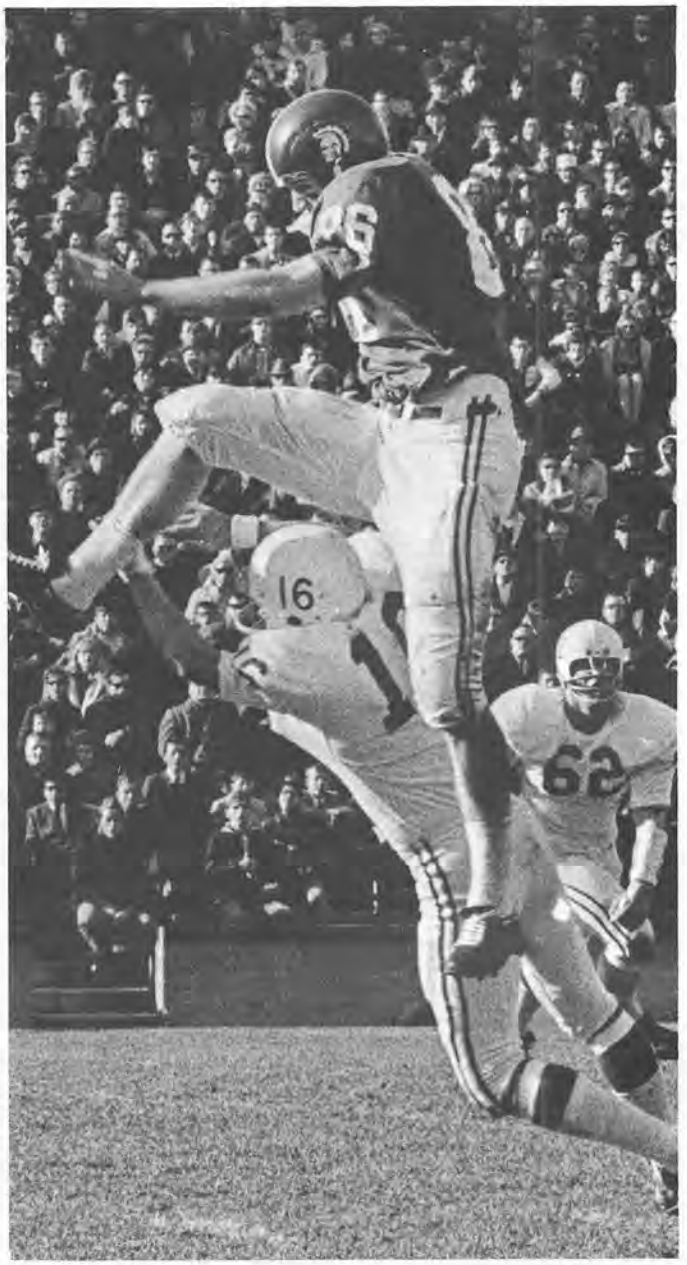
PROJECTED 1968 BIG TEN STANDINGS

Team	*Conference*	*Over-all*
1. Purdue	7-0	9-1
2. Ohio State	5-2	7-2
3. Indiana	4-3	7-3
3. Michigan State	4-3	6-4
5. Minnesota	3-4	5-5
5. Michigan	3-4	4-6
5. Northwestern	3-4	3-7
5. Iowa	3-4	3-7
9. Illinois	2-5	4-6
10. Wisconsin	1-6	2-8

Non-conference record: 16-13.

1968 COMPOSITE BIG TEN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

	SCORE	
Sept. 21		
Kansas at Illinois	___	___
Baylor at Indiana	___	___
Oregon State at Iowa	___	___
California at Michigan	___	___
Syracuse at Michigan State	___	___
Southern Cal at Minnesota	___	___
Northwestern at Miami (Fla.)	___	___
Virginia at Purdue	___	___
Wisconsin at Arizona State	___	___
Sept. 28		
Missouri at Illinois	___	___
Indiana at Kansas	___	___
Iowa at Texas Christian	___	___
Michigan at Duke	___	___
Baylor at Michigan State	___	___
Nebraska at Minnesota	___	___
Southern Cal at Northwestern	___	___
Southern Methodist at Ohio State	___	___
Purdue at Notre Dame	___	___
Washington at Wisconsin	___	___
Oct. 5		
Illinois at Indiana	___	___
Notre Dame at Iowa	___	___
Navy at Michigan	___	___
Michigan State at Wisconsin	___	___
Wake Forest at Minnesota	___	___
Purdue at Northwestern	___	___
Oregon at Ohio State	___	___
Oct. 12		
Illinois at Minnesota	___	___
Indiana at Iowa	___	___
Michigan State at Michigan	___	___
Northwestern at Notre Dame	___	___
Purdue at Ohio State	___	___
Utah State at Wisconsin	___	___
Oct. 19		
Illinois at Notre Dame	___	___
Michigan at Indiana	___	___
Wisconsin at Iowa	___	___
Minnesota at Michigan State	___	___
Northwestern at Ohio State	___	___
Wake Forest at Purdue	___	___
Oct. 26		
Ohio State at Illinois	___	___
Arizona at Indiana	___	___
Iowa at Purdue	___	___
Minnesota at Michigan	___	___
Notre Dame at Michigan State	___	___
Wisconsin at Northwestern	___	___
Nov. 2		
Illinois at Purdue	___	___
Indiana at Wisconsin	___	___
Iowa at Minnesota	___	___
Michigan at Northwestern	___	___
Michigan State at Ohio State	___	___
Nov. 9		
Illinois at Michigan	___	___
Indiana at Michigan State	___	___
Northwestern at Iowa	___	___
Purdue at Minnesota	___	___
Ohio State at Wisconsin	___	___
Nov. 16		
Northwestern at Illinois	___	___
Minnesota at Indiana	___	___
Ohio State at Iowa	___	___
Wisconsin at Michigan	___	___
Purdue at Michigan State	___	___
Nov. 23		
Iowa at Illinois	___	___
Indiana at Purdue	___	___
Michigan at Ohio State	___	___
Michigan State at Northwestern	___	___
Minnesota at Wisconsin	___	___



Michigan State's Al Brenner is one of the finest ends in the conference. Here he has grabbed a pass and is beginning to ward off Northwestern's Dennis White. Other Wildcat is Hans Leissoo (62).

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OH, LEROY!

BOILERMAKERS HAVE ENOUGH TO TAKE IT ALL

Whether it's running, receiving, passing or blocking, Leroy Keyes can do it all. Purdue fans marvel at his extraordinary ability.

Indiana may have won more games last season, but no Big Ten team was more explosive or more impressive than coach Jack Mollenkopf's Purdue Boilermakers.

Other than the two games it lost, Purdue never scored fewer than three touchdowns per game and four times went over the forty point plateau. The 291 points scored for the season established a Purdue record. It averaged four touchdowns per contest.

The "key" to Purdue's success was molded in the form of lithe 6-3, 209-pound Leroy "The golden Mr. Do-Everything" Keyes, as Boilermaker fans call him.

The fantastic senior from Newport News, Virginia scored 114 points to lead the nation, rushing for 986 yards and averaging 6.6 yards per carry. He also completed five passes in ten attempts, three good for touchdowns. Add to that 45 passes he caught for six scores, and a kick-off return average of 23.5 yards a runback and you've got the closest thing to a Heisman winner yet. Which he became. Leroy, his coach miffed that he didn't receive the award, finished just behind winner Gary Beban of UCLA.

The very fact that Keyes returns to lead Purdue in '68 is enough to make it a contender. But two other outstanding backs also return, in the form of junior quarterback Mike Phipps and senior fullback Perry Williams.

That threesome, along with the now departed flanker Bob Baltzell, were the chief reasons for Purdue's No. 2 national total offense ranking last season. The Boilermakers averaged 423.6 yards per game.

Purdue also ranked No. 9 in scoring and No. 11 in passing offense with 199 yards gained per contest.

The Boilermakers rushing offense was also 13th in the nation, at 224.6 yards a game. Purdue scored 26 touchdowns on the ground and 15 through the air.

Like all Boilermaker teams of the last decade, Purdue will have another outstanding quarterback to run the attack.

Mike Phipps moved the Boilermakers to the tune of 2.020 yards last season, enough turf covered to rank him third in the nation among total offense leaders. His conference total was 1,321, third highest total in Big Ten history.

Now a junior, Phipps averaged 6.1 yards per play while at the helm and he virtually rewrote the Boilermaker quarterbacking record book, a tremendous feat when compared against the likes of Len Dawson, Ron DiGravio and Bob Griese to name just a few.

He completed 118 passes in 243 attempts and also scrambled for a net total of 220 yards on the ground. Eleven of his completed passes counted for six points.

He was named to the first team All-Big Ten team and an All-American by one poll.

Williams is also an outstanding performer. The real veteran of the backfield, he gained 746 yards running through enemy

THE BIG TEN-ONE

lines last fall and scored 11 touchdowns himself. He has averaged 4.0 yards a carry during his career and he's particularly tough on plays that the Boilermakers have third down and three or four yards to get. He often got the call more in that situation than Keyes did.

He was a first team all-Big Tenner and should be Purdue's leading ground-gainer for a career after this season. He was an honorable mention All-American last season.

Williams has tremendous desire and great second-effort. Many times last fall he appeared stopped at the line of scrimmage but managed to spring free for sizable gains. He also is an excellent blocker.

Just those three All-Americans give Purdue one of the greatest backfields of all time.

Baltzell's replacement could be either Dick Berg or Jim Kirkpatrick, both junior lettermen. Neither played much last season, but neither have to do much this season what with that threesome leading the brigade.

Graduation took away four first-string offensive linemen, including outstanding split end Jim Beirne. The other end, Marion Griffin, returns and he is an outstanding blocker. At 6-3, 210, he is also very fast and caught 17 passes for 196 yards last fall. He was used mostly as a decoy for Beirne. His greatest contribution was eliminating defensive ends from the scene.

Left guard Gary Roberts and center Mike Frame both are back for their final years and each is a fine player. Both have lettered twice.

Both tackles, Jim Bonk and Chuck Kuzneski, are gone and both were standouts. They need to be replaced and no returning lettermen tackles are around. This area is the critical spot in the offensive line. Guard Bob Sebeck is also missing. Clanton King most likely will be called on to fill his spot.

A pass-catching end is needed, but Keyes is the primary target of Phipps anyway and Griffin is good enough to keep things lively. The offense should be the best in the Big Ten.

Defensively, Purdue returns five starters, but more notably, ten second-team defensive players.

Though backs Dennis Cirbes and Bob Corby graduated, All-Big Tenner Tim Foley returns at cornerback and he's a good one. Letterman Don Webster also returns at a halfback spot, leaving two spots open.

Replacements could come from Larry Emch or Willie Nelson, both lettermen. There is also the possibility that Mollenkopf may use Keyes back there in key situations. Keyes is just as outstandling defensively as he is offensively.

Three defensive linemen graduated, but tough All-Big Ten middle guard Chuck Kyle returns. He alone makes the line very stingy on yardage. Tackle Bill Yanchar also returns to play next to him, but both ends, George Olion and Bob Holmes graduated. All-Big Ten tackle Lance Olssen also is missing, so holes are present in the front.

But lettermen Fred Haug, or Dave Stydahar, both two-time monogram men, are back and should fill in quite adequately.

Four lettermen ends could get the call on defense, from among Billy McKoy, Lee Ryan, Joe Walsh or Dennis Wirgowski.

Purdue's outstanding defensive lineman, Dick Marvel, returns at his familiar linebacker post, along with his sidekick, Bob Yunaska. The Boilermakers are still going to be difficult to cope with defensively.

The first line players are present and depth at many places is abundant. And, Mollenkopf always comes up with an outstanding sophomore or two to play someplace.

It should be a mighty fine year again for Purdue, if it can only shake off the lapses that have plagued it in the past. The Boilermakers are again eligible for the Pasadena trip and that incentive is very appetizing.

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1) *Mike Phipps, Purdue's junior All-American quarterback candidate.*
2) *Dick Marvel is a bruising Boilermaker linebacker.*
3) *Dennis Wirgowski, Purdue's defensive end.*

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SUMMATION

Strength: Tremendous offensive backfield, paced by three bona fide All-American candidates. Outstanding players at various positions, enough depth to fill in holes.

Weakness: Along the lines, at offensive tackle and defensive end. A threatening offensive end is needed to replace Jim Beirne and complement Marion Griffin.

Outlook: This could be the finest Boilermaker team in history. The offensive power is overwhelming and the defense should be more than adequate. However, the team must stay free from injury and lapses (9-1).

Wins over Virginia, Northwestern, Ohio State, Wake Forest, Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota, Michigan State, Indiana.

Loss to Notre Dame.

BIG TEN'S GREATEST PLAYER?

Hardly has a player in Big Ten history been as decorated as was Leroy Keyes last season.

The 6-3, 209-pound Boilermaker dandy did anything coach Jack Mollenkopf wanted him to do and he did it with grace and finesse.

Opposing coaches marveled at his ability as a runner and pass receiver and conceded him to be, in many instances, the finest all-around player they had ever seen.

Leroy was named an All-American last season by ten major press organizations. He was the nation's point leader with 114. It marked the first time a Big Ten player had led the nation in scoring since the pre-World War Two days of Tom Harmon.

He finished third in the voting for the Heisman award, behind Gary Beban, the winner, and Southern Cal's famous O. J. Simpson. But many players and coaches considered Keyes to be by far the best of the three. His handicap, like Simpson's, was that neither was a quarterback, (a player who usually wins the award) and neither was a senior. Beban filled the bill in both cases.

Should Leroy win the honor this season, he would be the conference's first since Ohio State's Hopalong Cassady in 1955.

Needless to say, Keyes' 19 touchdowns last season established Purdue and Big Ten season scoring records.

Naturally, he was voted Purdue's Most Valuable Player and finished the season ranked second in all-time Boilermaker season rushing and pass receiving yardage.

In the ever-increasing world of platoon football, Keyes has to be the most versatile, as well as the best two-way player in the nation.

He originally was a defensive back, but Mollenkopf couldn't waste his running ability. Though now he spends most of his time with the offensive unit, he'll play defensive halfback at any time during a game.

He set Purdue's best rushing average record with 6.6 yards per carry last season. For the record, he gained 989 yards on the ground, for 13 of his scores, and caught 45 passes for 758 yards, for the other six.

He holds two Purdue single game records. He ran for 225 yards against Illinois in 21 carries and totaled 184 yards in just six pass receptions against Northwestern, both accomplished last season.

His longest scoring run was 81 yards against Iowa and his longest scoring catch was 78 yards against Northwestern. Both were the longest scoring plays of the season in the Big Ten. His four touchdowns against Iowa tied a modern Big Ten record.

Called the "Pied Piper of Purdue", he became the fifth Boilermaker player to win the Big Ten rushing championship. He had 849 yards gained on the ground in the conference for a 7.1 mark to win the title by a mere 245 yards over his nearest competitor. His rushing total was the third highest in conference history.

As if he isn't good enough as a runner, receiver, and defender, his career passing mark shows him having completed eight passes in 13 attempts, for 106 yards and five touchdowns.

Of course, he wouldn't be a complete player if he didn't kick-off. The distance his kicks travel average 60 yards, or down to the opponents' goal line.

In 1966, he tied for Big Ten honors by running back kicks for an average of 26.1 yards a runback. That mark slipped to a mere 23.5 last fall on just four runbacks, because Mollenkopf didnt want to risk his getting hurt.

Leroy is also an unselfish player. He blocks with reckless abandon, and his effectiveness is shown in the running figures of teammate Perry Williams, who is also an All-Big Ten player and has won various All-American mentions.

Though he isn't used as much on defense any more, fans can hardly forget his 95-yard fumble recovery touchdown scamper against Notre Dame on national television in his first game in 1966.

He is the second Purdue player to receive the Chicago Tribune Most Valuable Big Ten Player award. He also walked off with the Cleveland Touchdown Club's "National Collegiate Player of the Year" honor. He was unanimously selected by the Pigskin Club of Washington, D. C. as the "NCAA Back of the Year."

Indeed, 1967 was a remarkable year for Leroy Keyes. His presence on the field for Purdue was a sight Big Ten officials loved to see. His play brought back much prominence to the Big Ten, which had been slipping nationally in recent years.

With his senior year yet to be played, one wonders just what Leroy Keyes might do, especially playing on a team that is outstanding and in a backfield particularly, that has two other All-American candidates.

1967 PURDUE STATISTICS

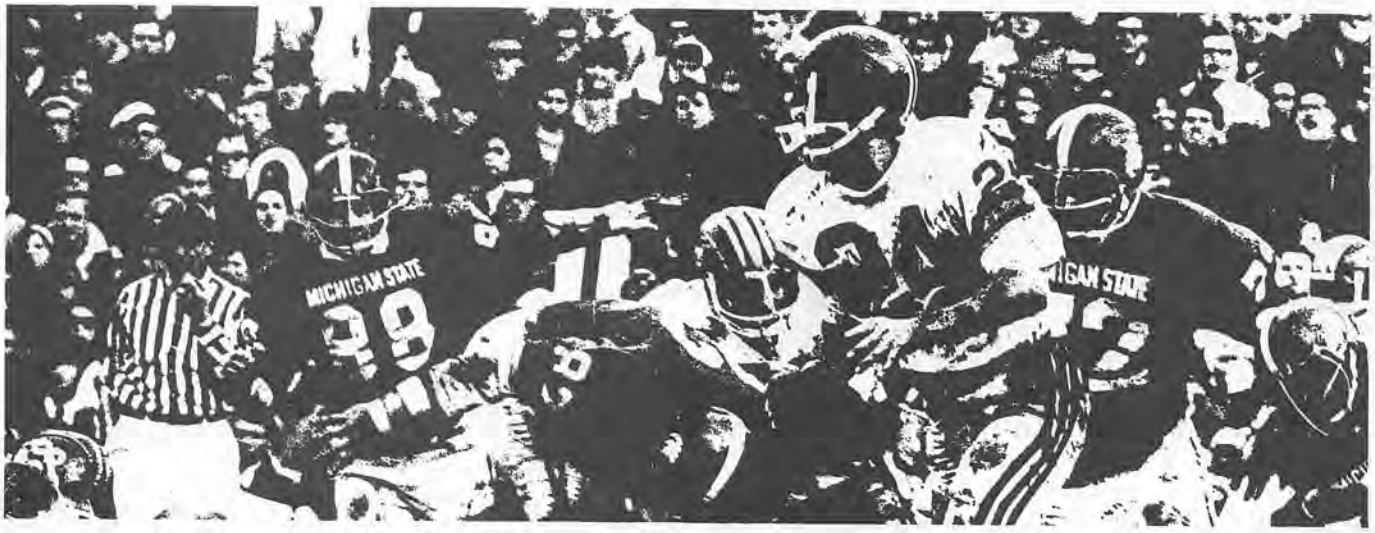
RUSHING	TC	Net	Avg.	TD
Leroy Keyes, HB	149	986	6.6	13
Perry Williams, FB	177	746	4.2	11
Bob Baltzell, HB	51	194	3.8	1
Mike Phipps, QB	86	220	2.5	1
Leon Troyer, FB	10	51	5.1	0

PASSING	Att'd	Comp.	Int.	Yds.	For TD	Pct.
Mike Phipps, QB	243	118	7	1800	11	.486
Don Kiepert, QB	20	11	3	131	1	.550
Leroy Keyes, HB	10	5	0	59	3	.500

PASS RECEIVING	No.	Net Yds. Gained	For TD	Avg.
Leroy Keyes, HB	45	758	6	16.8
Jim Beirne, E	45	643	5	14.2
Marion Griffin, E	17	196	1	12.2
Bob Dillingham, E	9	135	0	15.0
Bob Hurst, HB	4	67	0	16.7
Bob Baltzell, HB	5	88	2	17.6
Jim Kirkpatrick, HB	4	70	0	17.5
Bill Liber, E	4	33	1	8.2

SCORING	TD	X-PT Kick	X-PT R/P	FG	PTS
Leroy Keyes, HB	19	0	0	0	114
Perry Williams, FB	11	0	0	0	66
Bob Baltzell, HB	3	37-32	0-0	1-1	53
Jim Beirne, E	5	0	0-1	0	32

1968 The Year For Bucks?



It didn't look good in Columbus last September when Ohio State opened its season at home against weak Arizona and lost 14-7. Even though the Buckeyes have been making a habit of blowing early-season non-conference games, Arizona was an all-time low.

The next week, out west, Woody Hayes had his Bucks tuned up and the club came home with a sharp 30-0 victory.

But the roof caved in again the next week—again in Columbus—when Purdue ran literally roughshod over the shamed Ohioans, 41-6.

The Bucks then squeaked past Northwestern and lost another one at home to Illinois before getting straightened out.

Ohio State won impressively at Michigan State and after narrowly beating hapless Wisconsin at home again, it whipped Iowa and Michigan to close the season with a respectable 6-3 card.

Not many coaches can boast of losing only 13 lettermen, yet that's all that are missing and with the exception of offensive end Billy Anders, the rest can be adequately replaced.

The backfield returns the top three rushers, loses only one over-all and returns the top two quarterbacks.

Only halfback Rudy Hubbard is missing.

Jim Otis (530 yards), Dave Brungard (515), Paul Huff (273) and Ray Gillian (137) are the top runners returning and all should see considerable amounts of action.

Otis and Huff are the fullbacks. Jay Bombach is also back, and though he only gained 38 yards, he averaged 6.3 yards per carry, the high-water mark on the club. He should see most of his action at halfback. He appears to have recovered completely from knee surgery. The top sophomores are Leophus Hayden, Larry Zelina and Bruce Jankowski. John Brockington is a top fullback prospect.

Quarterback Bill Long returns for his final season. Long was injured in the early-going last fall, then came back to complete 44 passes in 102 attempts for 563 yards and two scores. His understudy, Kevin Rusnak, is next in line for duty again this fall. Rusnak completed 11 of 21 tosses for 119 yards and a 52 per cent completion mark. Gary Ehrsam has been switched to defensive halfback. He may also be tried at split-end or flanker. In all, the three only had six passes picked off by the enemy. Top sophomore prospects are Rex Kern and Ron Maciejowski.

If the throwers are there, the catchers are not. The top two receivers, Anders and Hubbard, are gone. They caught 41 of the 65 completed Buckeye passes.

Otis caught seven, Brungard six, Gillian three and even Ehrsam two. They of course, are all backs.

Rufus Mayes was the only returning end that caught a pass. He would have been set at one end, but then Woody decided he might as well start from scratch, so he switched Mayes to tackle.

Woody will have to choose from a number of candidates, with Jan White, Dick Kuhn and Chuck Aldrin, all sophomores, the top candidates. Woody likely will convert somebody to an end if he needs to. He should need to.

Over-all, seven offensive starters return from last fall.

At tackle, outstanding Dave Foley is back and Mayes will join him on the other side.

Charles Hutchison is another candidate with experience, and two sophomores—David Cheney (6-3, 220 pounds) and Richard Troha (6-3, 230) are highly-touted.

Alan Jack is back to start at one guard, but he's the only returnee with experience. Reserve Randy Hart (6-1, 220) and two more sophomores—Phil Strickland and Brian Donovan—are other possibilities.

Center is all set. John Muhlbach is back to start again, as is his replacement, Jim Roman.

Tom Backhus, a junior letterman, will be available for duty at either center or guard, so he's a valuable swingman.

Seven defensive starters return.

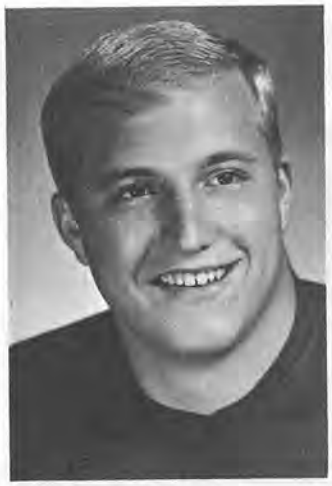
Both ends, Dave Whitfield and Nick Roman, are back. Roman is the brother of reserve center Jim. Other possibilities are reserves Arch Haer and John Sobolewski. Three sophomores are rated as fine prospects—James Marsh, Ed Lapuh and Tom Ecrement.

The tackle spot seems to be in good shape. Paul Schmidlin, Bill Urbanik and Brad Nielsen, all who played the most time last fall, return. Butch Smith is available for duty at either tackle or guard. The top sophomores are John Dombos, James Oppermann (6-4, 245) and Terry Stout (5-9, 220).

Vic Stottlemyer, who was injunred for most of '67, is back at middle guard. He should be a standout, but should be pressed by another set of sophomores—Ralph Holloway (6-1, 235) and Jim Stillwagon.

The linebacking spots are in fine hands. Dirk Worden, Mark Stier and Mike Radtke are all back and all are good

THE BIG TEN-TWO



Ohio State's two outstanding fullbacks, Jim Otis (left) and Paul Huff. Otis led the club last season with 530 yards, while Huff had 273.

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despite a general lack of size. Worden is a standout. Other reserve possibilities are Tom Bartley and Jim Gentile, who has been moved all over the field in the past. Doug Adams is the best sophomore prospect.

If strength isn't abundant enough, the defensive backfield should be outstanding. Ted Provost, a standout, is back, along with Mike Polaski, a top replacement.

Ehrsam, of course, is to be tried there, along with reserve Art Burton.

The coaches rate six sophomores as fine prospects. They include John Tatum, Mike Sensibaugh, Tim Anderson, Mark Debevc, Jim Coburn, and Tim Wagner.

Gary Cairns is no longer around to place-kick, nor is Tom Portsmouth to punt.

Nick Roman should do the punting this fall. He averaged 37.2 in six tries last season. Cairns replacement has yet to be found.

This could be the big year at Ohio State. The sophomore crop is outstanding and talent is abundant everywhere. Much of it is inexperienced, but Woody and his staff always seem to find a way to handle it.

The schedule is another big factor in the Bucks' favor. Ohio only has to go on the road three times—to Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa, three of the weaker teams in the conference.

The key game should come early, on Oct. 12, when Purdue travels to Columbus for the second straight year.

You can bet Woody won't let his club forget the mauling it took last fall in front of the home folks.

The Bucks don't play two of last season's tri-champs, Minnesota and Indiana.

With the right amount of breaks, things could be rosy this season for Ohio State, if you'll excuse the pun.

SUMMATION

Strength: A fine over-all amount of balance, with an outstanding crop of sophomores. All but one of last season's runners are back.

Weakness: A total lack of offensive ends to replace the departed Billy Anders. A kicker is also needed to replace Gary Cairns.

Outlook: Ohio State is traditionally a hard team to figure, but there's too much talent around not to foresee championship possibilities. If the Bucks can get off to a good start, they could win it all. Purdue is the major stepping-stone (7-2).

Wins over Southern Methodist, Oregon, Northwestern, Illinois, Michigan State, Wisconsin, Michigan.

Losses to Purdue, Iowa.

OHIO STATE 1967 STATISTICS

RUSHING

Player	Tries	Gain	Lost	Net	Avg.	TD's
Otis	141	541	11	530	3.7	2
Brungard	110	530	15	515	4.7	2
Huff	83	275	2	273	3.3	4
Hubbard	41	230	11	219	5.3	3
Gillian	33	140	3	137	4.1	0
Long	55	163	104	59	1.1	5
Ehrsam	29	89	45	44	1.5	0
Bombach	6	38	0	38	6.3	0
R. Smith	12	26	0	26	2.2	0
Rusnak	13	44	21	23	1.8	0
Greene	1	4	0	4	4.0	0

PASSING

Player	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yards	Pct.	TD
Long	102	44	4	563	.431	2
Rusnak	21	11	0	119	.524	1
Ehrsam	19	9	2	83	.474	0
Brungard	2	1	0	7	.500	1

RECEIVING

Player	No.	Yards	TD
Anders	28	403	3
Hubbard	13	98	0
Brungard	6	90	0
Otis	7	48	0
Huff	3	46	0
Ehrsam	2	35	1
Gillian	3	23	0
Mayes	2	17	0
Rusnak	1	12	0

SCORING

Player	TD	EP	FG	Total
Long	5	0	0	30
Cairns	0	13	4	25
Huff	4	0	0	24
Anders	3	0	0	18
Hubbard	3	0	0	18
Brungard	2	0	0	12
Otis	2	0	0	12
Ehrsam	1	0	0	6

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1) *Dave Whitfield, the Buckeyes' defensive left end.*
2) *Outstanding center John Muhlbach is back to anchor the middle of Ohio's offensive line.*

HOOSIERS MAY TUMBLE SOME IN '68

Indiana, the laughing stock of football for years and the New York Mets of the Big Ten, finally hit the heights in 1967 to the surprise of everybody, including Indiana coach John Pont.

Never in Big Ten history has a team so dramatically risen to the top the way Indiana did last fall.

Winners of just one game in 1966, the '67 Hoosiers began the season fielding a line-up with ten starters who were sophomores. Twenty-three lettermen had graduated from the previous season and Pont was hoping for a .500 record and possibly a first-division finish.

But perhaps Indiana won its three-way championship after the 1965 season when Pont's recruiting theme was "come to Indiana and be a football pioneer—a member of the first teams to give Indiana gridiron glory."

Harry Gonso, John Isenbarger, Jade Butcher, Bob Nichols, Bill Wolfe, Don DeSalle and Mick Baughman were just some of those who bought Pont's idea and headed for Bloomington to continue their football careers.

Their names are already familiar—their feats legendary and their antics heart-warming.

The 1967 Indiana football season indeed will be remembered for years to come. Only against Arizona (42-7) did Indiana enjoy a relatively "easy" win. The other eight were fought to the very end and looking back at records and game films it sometimes is inconceivable to see how the Hoosiers ever pulled out some of the victories they did.

Only against Minnesota though, did the team falter. It rose to its greatest triumph seven days later before its largest home crowd in history, downing heavily-accoladed Purdue, 19-14.

The Rose Bowl loss to Southern Cal was expected, but Indiana gave a good account of itself, battling a team that overflowed with All-Americans and stars. The score was 14-3, but the Hoosiers dropped passes on two key plays, that if otherwise were caught could have made a big difference.

One of the big factors to Indiana's success last season, was the fact that hardly any team took it seriously. After all, the team rarely won impressively and its players had tendencies to make critical mistakes at key times.

"We've lost the element of surprise that worked for us last season," Pont says. "People just couldn't believe we were real, right up to the end of last season. That's all changed now. Our opponents will be pointing for us," he elaborated.

But Indiana still returns 35 lettermen, losing only 20, and the prospects for another fine season are certainly present.

"I would be out of character and something less than honest if I said we feel we won't have a good football team," he went on. "We believe it will be a strong team, confident and capable, but faced by as great a challenge in maintaining our current level as it was in attaining it. And it will have to do it without the advantage of surprise and against a conference

THE BIG TEN-THREE

The flash and daring of Indiana's 1967 *football team is illustrated by the determination shown here, as John Isenbarger streaks around end for ten yards against Kansas. He gained* 59 *yards against the Jayhawks, as Indiana won another squeaker,* 18-15.

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which will probably be much stronger over-all."

If experience means anything, then the outstanding sophomores last season should be better with the year of experience.

But because of the sheer drama and cliff-hanging script Indiana wrote in '67, it is doubtful that the '68 Hoosiers can match last year's record.

The biggest problem is replacing the center of the offensive line.

Both starting guards, Gary Cassells and Bob Russell, plus center Hal Mauro are gone.

Sophomore 215-pounder Bob Jones should replace Mauro adequately at center. If he falters, letterman Steve Applegate could fill in.

DeSalle should have a fine season, and he, along with E. G. White, could be the answer at the guards. Sophomore Bob Scharnowske could also work into the picture, though he may wind up on defense at the same spot, or at linebacker.

Otherwise, most of the '67 offensive unit returns. In the backfield, just fullback Terry Cole is missing. His greatest day was against Purdue, when he ran for 155 yards.

But Isenbarger, Gonso and flanker Butcher are back, all being juniors,. All should do very well again. Two-time letterman Roger Grove may take Cole's place, or sophomores Tom Fleming (209 pounds) and Don Silas (224) could get the call. The offensive backfield, in any case, will be the strongest part of the team.

In the line, fine tackles Bob Kirk and Rick Spickard are back, along with outstanding end Al Gage. The other end, Eric Stolberg is also back, so the Hoosiers have just that middle problem to solve.

In addition, key reserves are present, with lettermen Al Kamradt and Ben Norman available for end duty, Al Schmidt at tackle, Mike Perry at quarterback, Greg Thaxton at halfback and Bob Douglas and Don Warner at flankerback.

Sophomore Larry Highbaugh may press for a starting spot at end. He is a :09.2 sprinter when the wind blows right and halfback Gary Brown, another rookie, is a :09.7 speedster.

Things look bright defensively also.

The unit will revolve around All-American linebacker Jim Sniadecki, one of the nation's best. He'll move from outside linebacker in the 4-4 set-up to the inside spot.

The line will be strongest at the flanks, where Cal Snowden and Tom Bilunas, two standouts, return at end. They may also wind up as All-Americans and they form the best twosome in the conference.

Bill Wolfe returns to start at one tackle spot and help will come from three lettermen: Harold Dunn, Jerry Grecco and Ed Harrison. Doug Crusan, the mammoth All-American, is gone.

While Sniadecki returns, three other standout linebackers, Kevin Duffy, Ken Kaczmarek and Brown Marks, are gone.

Bob Moynihan, Bob Nichols, Mike Roth and Karl Pan-

1) *Jade Butcher, one of Indiana's top sophomores last season, is a threat at flanker. He has fine speed and excellent hands.* 2) *Al Gage, Indiana's fine offensive end. He was a big factor in the Hoosiers' cinderella success story of* 1967.

3) *Indiana got outstanding defensive end play last season from Cal Snowden* (61), *shown here shedding a block to bring down Michigan State's Frank Waters. Play like this earned Snowden a spot on MICHIGAN FOOTBALL'S* 1968 *All-Big Ten team. The Hoosiers won this game* 14-13, *in the rain at East Lansing.*

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kratz, all lettermen, return. But they'll all be hard-pressed by outstanding sophomores Don Silas (224), Vic Malinovsky (200), Ed McGuire (205) or Bob Scharnowske (195). All are regarded as top-flight prospects. Somewhere, a fine linebacking crew should be found.

Two outstanding defensive backs are on hand again, in senior Nate Cunningham and Mike Baughman. Dave Kornowa is the only starter missing. Mike Adams, Jay Mathias and Mike Deal, all lettermen, could fill in somewhere.

Kornowa was the place-kicker, and he of course is gone. But Don Warner did some kicking, making 11 of 16 PAT's and he should be adequate. Isenbarger did all the punting, so that problem is solved again.

Last season, Indiana had only one major injury, to linebacker Bob Moynihan, and he returned for the Rose Bowl game. That same fact was true in both of Michigan State's great years, 1965-66. Then the Spartans had a tumult of injuries last season, and fell to 3-7. Therefore, Indiana must expect more injuries this fall and hope to have enough replacements to fill any gaps that may appear.

SUMMATION

Strength: Plenty of fine players returning at many positions, depth at certain spots and a good crop of individuals from freshmen group. Outstanding spot is backfield.

Weakness: The middle of the offensive line, where guards and center have to be replaced. Three linebackers also have gone along with two defensive halfbacks. Two top fullbacks are also missing. Those spots, plus Indiana's element of surprise that it had last season, are critical areas.

Outlook: On paper, Indiana is outstanding. Thirty-five lettermen are back and there are no big weaknesses. Yet the team eked out all of its conference wins last season. That, plus its element of surprise gone, and an over-all better conference in prospect, the Hoosiers may have to struggle to reach even third. But another championship is still a possibility. Injuries and breaks will be big factors. (7-3).

Wins over Baylor, Kansas, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Arizona, Minnesota.

Losses to Michigan State, Wisconsin, Purdue.

HURRYINEST HOOSIER? HARRY

They were called all sorts of names, from the "Cardiac Kids", to "Johnny's-Come-Lately", to the "Shock Troops", to the "Minute Men".

Whatever they were, they were led brilliantly by the young, dashing sophomore-now-junior, Harry Gonso.

The Findlay, Ohio pre-law student was the mastermind of the last-minute heroics that the Hoosiers staged week in and week out.

His accomplishments earned him numerous honors. Included were spots on the AP All-America honorable mention squad; Academic All-America; UPI All-Big Ten; AP 2nd-team All-Big Ten; Academic All-Big Ten; Most Valuable Player on the team (the first time a sophomore has ever won the award at Indiana); and a three-way tie with John Isenbarger and Jade Butcher, as "Sophomore-of-the-Year".

But fans won't remember Harry's sophomore season for his on-paper feats, they'll look back on the "cardiac" moments when he mastermindfully pulled the team together for a closing-minute drive to victory. For instance:

In Indiana's first game against Kentucky, Harry threw for two touchdowns after the Wildcats led 10-0. That was enough for the 12-10 victory.

The next week against Kansas, Harry completed ten of 23 passes, many in the final quarter. He threw for one score and pitched to Isenbarger who threw for another.

Then against Iowa, Harry drove the club 60 yards in the final three minutes for a score, after trailing, 17-14. Harry's key play in the drive was a fake field-goal pass play that got the ball down to the Iowa four yard line, when he passed to Isenbarger for the score on the next play.

The next week against Michigan, Harry engineered a scoring drive that was completed with just 1:10 left to play, for a 27-20 triumph.

That was followed by an easy win over Arizona, in which Harry suffered a shoulder injury midway through the second quarter. Before leaving though, he engineered two scores the first two times the Hoosiers got the ball. He scored once, ran 49 yards once, and completed a 38-yard pass.

Against Wisconsin, Harry spent most of the afternoon running with the ball, gaining 127 yards in 22 carries, an average of over five yards a crack.

Then against Michigan State, Harry engineered the winning drive with just 2:50 left to play.

After the Minnesota loss, Harry led the Hoosiers to a 19-7 halftime lead against Purdue, which held up in an uneffective second half, for a 19-14, Rose Bowl award win.

Harry ran for 512 net yards during the season and scored three touchdowns. He completed 47 per cent of his passes, 67 of 143, for 931 yards and nine touchdowns. He was third on the team in scoring.

Besides running and passing, Harry also ran back kick-offs. Most coaches save their quarterbacks for the specific signal-calling duties, wanting to avoid the injury possibility. But Harry's running ability was too valuable, so coach John Pont used him there too.

Harry is a football player only at IU, but in high school he was an outstanding swimmer, baseball player, and track man. He had a :22.5 time for the 50-yard freestyle in the water, and ran a :10.2 100 yard dash. He was a .300 hitter.

He was also ranked 52nd in a class of 556 academically.

Harry's winning attitude and reckless abandon on the field are main reasons why he was voted the Indiana MVP award.

Harry eludes Wisconsin's Pete Higgins here. Gonso gained 127 yards against the Badgers to lead his club to a 14-9 victory. Flanker Jade Butcher helps out with a crackback block on this play.

INDIANA 1967 STATISTICS

RUSHING

	TC	YDS.	LOST	NET	AVG.	TD
Isenbarger, hb	120	615	36	579	4.8	4
Cole, fb	109	517	0	517	4.7	2
Gonso, qb	168	832	320	512	3.1	3
Krivoshia, hb	80	294	4	290	3.6	3
Perry, qb	15	70	19	51	3.4	0
Grove, fb	3	16	0	16	5.3	0
Thaxton, hb	4	6	12	−6	−1.5	0
Butcher, fl	1	0	8	−8	−8.0	0

PASSING

	ATT.	COMP.	PCT.	YDS.	INT.	TD
Gonso, qb	143	67	.470	931	8	9
Perry, qb	9	5	.556	157	0	1
Isenbarger, hb	13	5	.385	132	2	3

RECEIVING

	NO.	YDS.	TD
Butcher, fl	35	611	10
Gage, te	21	343	1
Isenbarger, hb	6	103	1
Stolberg, se	5	73	1
Norman, se	3	45	0
Krivoshia, hb	3	12	0
Kamradt, te	2	22	0
Cole, fb	2	11	0

SCORING

	TD	X-PT. KICK	X-PT. OTHER	FG	TP
Butcher	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	60
Isenbarger	5	0-0	1-1	0-0	32
Gonso	3	0-0	2-0	0-0	18
Krivoshia	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	18
Cole	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
Warner	0	16-11	0-0	4-0	11

SPARTANS START LONG ROAD BACK

No Big Ten team in history hit the depths as deeply as Michigan State hit them last season after being named co-national champions with Notre Dame in 1966.

Coach Duffy Daugherty's team endured the worst Michigan State season in 50 years, but that wasn't the only black mark the genial Spartan coach can look back to in 1967 that caused a 3-7 season record.

He was criticized by the public and portions of the press for his stand on two controversial issues.

One involved his handling of the case of star player Jesse Phillips, who was finally injured and forced out of action early in the season.

The other involved his benching of six key players for missing curfew after the Minnesota game. The benching came just before the Notre Dame debacle and the Spartans were riddled enough with injuries as it was.

But probably the biggest reason for State's collapse was due to injuries. No Spartan team in Daugherty's tenure was as banged-up as the '67 outfit was.

When State was enjoying the football limelight in 1965-66, Duffy commented that the key reason for it stemmed from the fact that his Spartans never suffered any crippling injuries. He said before the season even started that that had to change. Never was he more right.

The biggest problem was the defensive unit. Of course State had lost several All-American players, but enough good ones remained to leave the Spartans in adequate shape.

But then Roger Ruminski, Jack Zindel, Sam Sethman, Dave Schweinfurth, Tody Smith and Clifton Hardy all went out for good before the season had even started.

But there were many other key players who were injured during the season. Consider the likes of: George Chatlos, Drake Garrett, Maurice Haynes, Jim Juday, Jack Pitts, Joe Przybycki, Ron Ranieri, Jesse Phillips, Jimmy Raye, Ted Bohn, Al Brenner, Frank Foreman, Ken Heft, Paul Lawson, Ron Saul, Bob Super and Frank Waters.

All were out for time durations of at least one game.

But that was last season and it is past. Duffy and his staff have long forgotten it and are too busy rebuilding the '68 group.

Though it's hard to see the Spartans going all the way, Daugherty history has shown State to have its best seasons under him immediately after a bad year.

Most optimism centers around a good nucleus of players returning, especially on defense, and a promising sophomore group, whose long suit is rugged linemen.

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1) *Spartan captain Al Brenner gives State outstanding play at offensive end. Brenner led '67 team in pass receptions.*
2) *Michigan State's quarterback likely will be Bill Feraco. Here he scrambles against Michigan in 1967 action.*

Duffy always concentrates his efforts on the problems, thus most of his time will be spent with the offense.

The 1967 offense was very erratic to begin with, and all of the regulars from that group have graduated, save captain Al Brenner, tackle Ron Saul and halfback alternates LaMarr Thomas and Frank Waters.

Much of the second unit, however, is back.

Included in this group are fullback Regis Cavender, halfback Dick Berlinski, end Frank Foreman, quarterback Bill Feraco and guard Rick Benedict.

All are players who have demonstrated proven ability. Brenner is one of the best blocking ends in the nation and is an excellent leader and receiver. Last season, he was the leading receiver with 26 grabs for four touchdowns. He is a steady player who makes few mistakes.

Saul is a solid tackle with good range and moves, while Thomas showed occasional flashes of brilliance. He was the second leading rusher with 311 yards, a 4.2 yards-per-carry average. He scored two touchdowns, one a 48-yard jaunt against Houston.

Waters' value to the team lies in his attitude.

Before the Notre Dame game last season, State needed an offensive end because of injuries, suspensions, etc. Duffy turned to Waters, who came up with nine catches and was a rabble-rouser later in the game when State made its strong comeback. He was the second leading pass receiver with 18 catches.

Cavender was very impressive his sophomore season and scored the only Spartan touchdown against Notre Dame. But he fell off to just 175 yards running last season, though he still averaged 5.1 yards per carry, high on the team in that department.

Berlinski is too small to be a serious running threat, but he

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3) *Junior LaMarr Thomas has shown signs of greatness. His running will be a big factor in the amount of success Spartans will have this season.*
4) *Defensive tackle Nick Jordan, a Spartan stalwart.*

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is a fine punter, who averaged 37 yards a boot last season. Foreman is back for his second season and has a fine pair of hands. He caught 10 passes last season for a 13.5 yards-per-catch average.

Feraco took over for Jimmy Raye during the Notre Dame game last season and shared the quarterback job with Raye the rest of the way.

His best forte is passing, where he completed 44 per cent of his throws, but he is small, slow, and isn't the blocker that Raye was. He has been able to rally the team on occasions, however.

But whether Duffy will go with Feraco at quarterback for the entire season is another matter.

Other possibilities include Charley Wedemeyer, a senior who has seen little action. The son of the famous All-American Herman Wedemeyer, his strongest suit is running, but he's also an adequate thrower.

Californian Gordon Longmire, a sling-shot armed sophomore, is also in the picture. He is a good roll-out passer, but like Feraco, is small.

The missing offensive regulars are fullback Bob Apisa, tackle Tony Conti, end Maurice Haynes, halfback Dwight Lee, guard Mitch Pruiett, tackle Joe Przybycki, center Ron Ranieri and Raye.

Other offensive lettermen returning are guard Don Baird, halfback Ken Heft, tackle Ed McLoud and fullback Kermit Smith.

The defense should generally be strong. The biggest factor depends on whether all the cripples come back and remain healthy and if the year's lay-off didn't do any noticeable harm.

Regulars returning include end Rich Saul, Ron's twin brother, tackles Charles Bailey and Nick Jordan, guards Ken Little and Don Law, and backs Steve Garvey, Paul Lawson and Bob Super. All are established players with lots of action time behind them.

Sophomore linemen who could help include end Gary Nowak, tackles Bill Dawson and Ron Curl, and linebacker Mike Hogan.

Ready to help Michigan State regain football prominence in 1968 *are (l-r) captain Al Brenner, Bill Feraco, Charlie Bailey, and Regis Cavender.*

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The best bets for defensive stardom are Bailey and Jordan, two of the best tackles anywhere, who will be starting opposite each other again for the third straight year.

Saul is a highly-touted end who turned in a fine job last season and Little and Law showed signs of promise. Lawson, Super and Garvey are all adequate. Lawson being the best. He is a ferocious tackler and has a good sense of where to go.

Daughertv is higher than a kite on Dawson. The young lad out of Tucson, Arizona, is strong as an ox and could move right in on the defensive front. Nowak is another big boy, 6-5 and 230 pounds.

The defensive men gone are backs Sterling Armstrong, Drake Garrett, Jack Pitts, and Jesse Phillips and end George Chatlos. Pitts would have been a junior but a vertebrae injury has ended his career.

The place-kicker was Pruiett who, of course, is gone. No replacement is in sight yet.

In all, 29 lettermen are back—12 of them regulars from last season's club.

"We have lots of question marks, but the return of our cripples alone should make us a better team than we were last fall," Duffy says.

"We have few losses from the senior group that will hurt us. Some freshmen should help. The way we had inexperienced players in action last fall, frequently in strange positions, should give us better experienced depth this time."

Big Ten-wise, Duffy looks at the race much the same as it was last year.

"Purdue, Ohio State, Indiana and Minnesota have the most returning veterans of quality," he said, "and have to be rated the teams to beat.

"Behind them will be some vastly improved clubs which could break through. Michigan ended 1967 strongly. Iowa and Wisconsin were beginning to come. Northwestern, if it can survive a killing early schedule, could be a factor. Illinois probably has a tough road ahead.

"As to us, we have many problems, but we're hopeful of improving. The way our injured men from last fall respond to their rehabilitation programs, many of which started with surgery, will have a lot to do with our degree of success."

Ron and Rich Saul. Ron is an offensive tackle and Rich a defensive end. Both are starters.

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SUMMATION

Strength: Over-all defense, especially the backfield; Incentive to come back; Daugherty ability to have solid club after losing campaign.

Weakness: Quarterback, where no proven leader is present. The backfield, line and kicking must also be re-established.

Outlook: Improvement is likely, but it will depend greatly on the success at quarterback. Duffy has always had his team bounce back after a poor season, and '67 was State's poorest since 1917. However, first division will be tough to crack. (6-4).

Wins over Syracuse, Baylor, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Indiana.

Losses to Notre Dame, Ohio State, Purdue, Northwestern.

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1) *Regis Cavender's most important run as a Spartan came in the* 1966 *Notre Dame game when he scored State's only touchdown in famous* 10-10 *tie. Spartan fans are counting on him to return to* 1966 *form after an injury-riddled season last fall.*

2) *Frank Waters is one of State's most aggressive and dogged players. He gives team a big psychological lift with his hard-fought play.*

3) *Spartan linebacker Charlie Bailey, one of the Big Ten's best.*

MSU 1967 STATISTICS

RUSHING	TC	YDS	YL	NET	AVG	TD
Lee	116	529	32	497	4.2	6
Thomas	74	344	33	311	4.2	2
Raye	92	359	112	247	2.6	3
Apisa	50	186	3	183	3.6	0
Cavender	34	175	0	175	5.1	0
Highsmith	24	133	16	117	4.8	1
Waters	13	45	0	45	3.4	1
Berlinski	6	28	0	28	4.6	1
Marshall	3	14	0	14	4.6	0
Feraco	38	104	91	13	.3	2
Pitts	1	5	0	5	5.0	0
Heft	1	4	0	4	4.0	0
Wedemeyer	4	5	14	−9	—	0

PASSING	PA	PC	PI	YDS	PCT	TD
Raye	107	42	9	580	39%	4
Feraco	72	32	3	375	44%	1
Thomas	3	2	1	54	67%	1
Cavender	1	1	0	29	100%	0
Berlinski	1	1	0	23	100%	0
Wedemeyer	6	2	1	15	33%	0

RECEIVING	PR	YDS	AVG	TD
Brenner	26	462	17.7	4
Waters	18	220	12.2	1
Foreman	10	135	13.5	1
Thomas	10	113	11.5	0
Haynes	4	68	17.0	0
Lee	4	29	7.2	0
Cavender	4	24	6.0	0
Apisa	2	11	5.5	0
Chatlos	1	9	9.0	0
Kulesza	1	5	5.0	0

SCORING	TD	CK	CR	CP	FG	TP
Lee	7	0	0	0	0	42
Brenner	4	0	0	2	0	28
Pruiett	1	14-15	0	0	1-1	23
Raye	3	0	1	0	0	20
Thomas	2	0	0	1	0	14
Feraco	2	0	0	0	0	12
Waters	2	0	0	0	0	12
Berlinski	1	0	0	0	0	6
Foreman	1	0	0	0	0	6
Highsmith	1	0	0	0	0	6
Chatlos	0	0-1	0	0	0-3	0

THE STEADIEST SPARTAN AL BRENNER

In a season that was filled with much turmoil, Al Brenner, a rangy offensive end from Niles, was one of the few bright spots in Michigan State's football camp last season. While State struggled through its worst season in five decades, players and fans had nothing more to look forward to than '68. The first order of business was at the season wind-up banquet when the players almost unanimously voted Brenner their '68 captain. It was one of the few times in coach Duffy Daugherty's tenure that State would have just one team captain.

The Spartans couldn't have made a better choice. Brenner has had many, many responsibilities rest on his broad shoulders since his high school days when he was an all-state pick at halfback. He married his high school sweetheart, brought her to State with him, and now has a son to father in his Cherry Lane apartment, just several blocks west of Spartan Stadium.

He wants to go to law school at Michigan very much and it shouldn't be much of a problem for him, what with his 3.78 grade point average out of a perfect 4.0. In fact, Al got so organized and so well ahead in his schoolwork that he had to drop out for one term last winter so he wouldn't graduate before the football season ended. He'll get his degree after the season this fall. Al doesn't find it that difficult to play football, go to school, earn a living and support a family all at the same time.

"It's not hard when you study and spend the time," he states. "It's strange. I wasn't much of a student in high school. But when I got to college everything counts so much more that I started to bear down. Now I want to get my degree and get on with my education."

At 6-1, and 202 pounds, Brenner packs a lot of power into his blocks, while he combines good speed to be a top-flight pass receiver.

Last season, he easily led the team in receptions with 26, almost one third of the entire team's total. Those catches amounted to 462 yards, an average of 17.7 yards a grab. It also figured to four touchdowns.

Al logged the most playing minutes of any Spartan his sophomore year—321. That's not a bad feat, considering the great Spartans on that near-national championship team: George Webster, Clint Jones, Bubba Smith and Gene Washington to name just a few.

Playing opposite the great Washington, Brenner spent most of his time as a blocker, decoy and secondary receiver. But quarterback Jimmy Raye still managed to connect with him on 22 passes for 357 yards and a touchdown. That year also saw him turn into a make-shift punt returner, with his only assignment being to just catch the ball. He merely returned 22 for 256 yards and a Big Ten record 95-yarder against Illinois for a touchdown that broke a tight game wide open.

Al Brenner relaxes at home with his wife and two-year-old son, Robbie. "My daddy plays with Duffy," Robbie says.

His value became so great that Duffy removed him from his punt-returning chores to avert any injuries. He has been healthy his entire career except for a slight foot injury sustained in last season's Minnesota and Purdue games.

Al is a dedicated worker, who constantly strives for perfection. Last summer, he prepared for the coming season working out during the evenings after school with Raye to get his timing down pat.

Al adapts well to changes also. After Washington departed, Daugherty decided to try his new pass-receiving leader out at Washington's old split end post. Brenner merely responded with eight of 13 catches his team made in the 1967 spring game, for 155 yards.

Al was named to the second team Academic All-America team after the 1966 season by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

He also was a fine basketball and baseball player too. During his prep days, he scored 1,036 points for the cage team. He had a high of 44 in one game.

He also played baseball well enough to get an offer to sign with the Chicago Cubs after graduation, but Al wanted a college education.

His high school football career came to a rousing finish when he caught four touchdown passes in the last game of the 1964 season.

Whether it's in the class room, on the football field, or playing the game of life, Al Brenner is truly the steadiest Spartan.

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SCHEDULE DIMS GOPHERS' HOPES THE BIG TEN-FIVE

Minnesota finished the season last fall with an 8-2 record and a tie for the Big Ten title.

But head coach Murray Warmath was unhappy. The Gopher team was unhappy. And the Gopher fans were unhappy.

Not that the record had anything to do with it—it was the Gophers' best season since 1960. It was the result of the record that made all the land o' lakes people disturbed. They felt they should have had a holiday in Pasadena instead of Indiana. But league athletic directors sympathized with the Hoosiers and were so impressed with Indiana's win over Purdue that they gave the Hoosiers the nod.

The Gophers cried out that they had beaten Indiana badly the week before, but the directors also noted that Purdue thrashed Minnesota.

It was and will be argued back and forth for awhile to come yet, but the Gophers have to forget '67 and look ahead to '68. And that, friends, isn't quite as bright. Minnesota just may not have the opportunity to argue over a Rose Bowl bid this fall.

A tough schedule is the first problem.

Southern California and Nebraska are the first opponents. In conference action, Minnesota has to play both Michigan teams and Indiana on the road and hits Purdue at home. Gopher teams have had trouble on the road in seasons past—especially in Michigan.

The last time Minnesota played in Ann Arbor, it was fighting for a Rose Bowl spot and went home with a 49-0 humiliation loss.

The Gophers won the last time they played in East Lansing, but they'll be fighting revenge motives both there and in Bloomington.

Twenty-seven lettermen return to Warmath.

Of those, nine were at one time or another offensive starters, while six were defensive regulars.

Warmath forecasts a possibility for improvement offensively, but a weaker defense because of the loss of several outstanding players.

Defense was Minnesota's saint last fall. With the exception of Purdue (41 points), the Gophers never gave up over 15 points in a game and six times limited opponents to one or no touchdowns.

Defensive stars missing are tackle McKinley Boston, safety Mike Condo, middle guard Ed Duren and all-Big Ten back Tom Sakal.

But there are still some fine players left, including both ends and three linebackers.

Bob Stein and Del Jensen will force the play into the middle, while Dave Nixon, Wayne King and Noel Jenke will help the interior linemen bring enemy runners down.

In addition, regulars Ron Kamzelski (tackle) and Dennis Hale (halfback) are also back.

Linebacker Dennis Cornell lettered in '66, then sat out last season with an injury. He's now healthy and could move right in again.

Leon Trawick, who lettered last fall, is another end possibility, while Bill Laakso has the same credentials at middle guard.

John Darkenwald, a letterman last fall, is another linebacker possibility, as is Jon Hammer, also a monogrammer.

Non-letterwinners Jeff Nygren, Walt Pribyl and Doug Roalstad are possibilities in the backfield where the holes are.

Richard Crawford is the only sophomore with high credentials and if he plays, it'll be at linebacker.

Warmath considers his biggest problem replacing quarterback Curt Wilson, who was named Midwest Back-of-the-Week twice last fall, for his play against Michigan State and Indiana.

He personally demolished the Spartans 21-0, after they came into town looking for blood. He set two offensive records and tied another in that contest.

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1) *Phil Hagen is looking to inherit the number one quarterback job this fall. He'll get a stiff test from Ray Stephens and two sophomores.*

2) *Jim Carter, the Gophers' leading rusher last season.*

3) *John Wintermute, Gopher running threat.*

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He also helped the team to an offensive record against Indiana, the only regular season loss for the Hoosiers, 33-7.

Phil Hagen and Ray Stevens are the best possibilities to inherit the job, but though both are experienced, both were also unimpressive in their performances last season.

Sophomores who might make it are Walt Bowser (though just 165 pounds) and Greg Mitchell.

Jim Carter is the key returning running back, though he'll be pressed all the way by outstanding sophomore Barry Mayer (6-2, 210 pounds), who's going to play someplace, no matter what.

Carter was the leading rusher last season, with 519 yards for a 3.7 average. He had three touchdowns.

Hubie Bryant, the fleet little flankerback, is gone, but sophomore Terry Addison, a 6-2, 187-pound speedster is expected to take his place quite adequately. Mike Curtis, a regular, is also on hand.

Other lettermen halfbacks back are George Kemp (349 yards, 3.5 average) and John Wintermute (271 yards, 4.4 average).

Maurice Forte lettered at fullback behind Carter last season and he had a 3.9 average on 177 yards.

Henry Tasche and Fran Paquette are top sophomore prospects.

If Warmath finds a quarterback, he'll be alright on the attack.

Though the losses at tackle on the line are heavy, some outstanding sophomores could fill in quite well.

Alvin Hawes (6-5, 235), Jan Nelson (6-3, 235), John Thompson (6-2, 230) and John Harris (6-6, 260) are the leading candidates.

Both guards, Dick Enderle and Tom Fink, are back, as is one regular tackle, Ezell Jones. So is center Steve Lundeen.

Chip Litten, a fine end and receiver, is back to catch passes from somebody, while another end has to be found.

Other reserve lettermen back are guards Andy Brown and Bill Christison and center Jim Pahula. Jim Wrobel, a tackle, is also back, though he didn't letter.

Nick Tymoszewicz is another tackle possibility, though he may wind up on defense. His 6-4, 240 size is very imposing.

Ted Burke may join Litten at the other end, though he did not letter last season. No sophomores appear to be unusually earth-shaking as practice time rolled around last spring. So, Warmath needs another end, one who preferably is fast and can block.

Another problem area is punting, where Dave Baldridge, with a 40-yard average, is gone. He had an 88-yarder against Utah last fall.

The Gophers need another winning team this fall just from the box office standpoint.

Last year's fine team didn't come near a sell-out, with the 56,334 attending the Michigan State game the biggest house.

Attendance averaged only 48,000.

But this could be a rough campaign.

The sophomore prospects are possibly the best in the conference, but there's no substitute for seasoning. They'll be experienced eventually—but how many games the Gophers win in that time is yet to be determined.

SUMMATION

Strength: Fine group of sophomore prospects at many positions, but most notably the defensive line and offensive backfield.

Weakness: Quarterback at the moment, where neither Ray Stephens nor Phil Hagen has looked impressive. There are holes at one offensive tackle and end spot and another good punter is sought. The defensive backfield needs some fresh talent also.

Outlook: Minnesota is traditionally a team that plays well for awhile and badly either the next minute or game. Because of a rough schedule and loopholes here and there, a 5-5 season looks to be the best bet. But if the sophomores come through, Warmath and his troops may just get their California holiday this winter. (5-5)

Wins over Nebraska, Wake Forest, Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin.

Losses to Southern California, Michigan State, Michigan, Purdue, Indiana.

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4) *Chip Litten, Minnesota's top offensive end.*
5) *Noel Jenke, Minnesota linebacker.*
6) *Dennis Hale, Gopher defensive halfback, who started a year ago.*

THE BIG TEN-SIX

WILDCATS SHOULD BE STRONG BY MID-SEASON

Stu Holcomb is going to lose some friendships from among Northwestern's football loyalty this season.

Holcomb was Northwestern's athletic director up until last fall, when he took a job with the new professional soccer leagues.

Northwestern coach Alex Agase might offer this bit of advice to soccer czars asking about Holcomb: "Don't let him make your schedules," Alex would tell them.

New athletic director Tippy Dye had nothing to do with the 1968 Northwestern schedule that Holcomb arranged before leaving. The first five games must be the most brutal quintet of gridiron foes that were ever arranged for a college unit to play. The Wildcats will face . . .

. . . September 21, dangerous Miami in the Orange Bowl. The Hurricanes are still smarting from the 12-7 upset the Wildcats handed them last season, which knocked out any national championship plans the Miamians had.

. . . September 28, the home opener against the devilish Southern California "O.J.'s", who were merely national champions last fall.

. . . October 5, Purdue, another home test. Purdue is rated one of the top clubs in the nation again this season after going 8-2 last fall.

. . . Then to South Bend, to meet formidable Notre Dame, a club that has aspirations of taking away USC's national title.

. . . Again on the road, in probably the snake-pit of football slaughter-houses, Ohio State. Woody Hayes had his club up to a 6-3 norm last fall, and the Buckeyes are talking championship this season.

If the Wildcats learn anything from playing those five games, then the remaining five (all conference tests) could possibly be victories and would place the Wildcats in the first division for the first time since 1962.

But first things first.

When Alex brushed away the tears after looking at his '68 opponents, he saw a small ray of hope.

Northwestern returns 26 of 48 lettermen. The '68 team figures to be Alex's most experienced club in the four previous seasons he's spent struggling to get the team into championship form. He hasn't succeeded yet, but progress has been made despite Holcomb's treasonous scheduling.

Eight defensive and six offensive starters return to a club that won just three times in '67.

The graduation losses over-all are light, but some fine individuals departed.

They include All-Big Ten offensive guard Bruce Gunstra, quarterback Bill Melzer, fullback John Anstey, defensive back Denny Coyne and All-Big Ten safety Tom Garretson.

The biggest strength should be in the offensive line, where Gunstra is the only '67 regular missing.

Standout center Jack Rudnay, a Michigan Football All-Big Ten pick, is the bulwark of the line. He doubled at defensive tackle last fall and could see some duty there again this season.

Tackles Tom Ziolkowski (from Detroit Catholic Central High School) and Don Denny will man their familiar posts, while Angelo Loukas is the returning guard.

Bruce Hubbard, a junior, is the only experienced end returning, but he had 16 receptions for 231 yards last season. Letterman Dave Hallstrand could see action at the other end post.

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1) *Bob Olson, Northwestern's leading rusher last season, is back to lead the Wildcat runners again. Here he heads for a big gain against Michigan State last fall.*

2) *Starting defensive end Mark Proskine.*

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3-4)*Tom Ziolkowski (from Detroit) and Don Denny both started for the Wildcats at offensive tackle last season. They'll be counted on heavily this fall.*
5-6) *John Cornell and Joe Hudson, two of Northwestern's four returning starting linebackers.*
7) *Bruce Hubbard is the top end prospect returning from last season's Wildcat team.*
8) *Bill Galler, promising sophomore, is trying to make a comeback after suffering a broken leg last season.*

The offensive backfield could be one of the steadiest in the Big Ten.

Both halfbacks, Chico Kurzawski and Bob Olson are back, while Dana Woodring, who saw considerable amounts of action at the end of last season could be a "sleeper" at quarterback.

Kurzawski and Olson were the top two ground gainers on the club last season and both can get the job done. Chico gained 477 yards, for a three yard average, while Olson had 507, for a 3.5 norm.

Kurzawski does many things, all well. He runs back kicks, punts, quick kicks and passes. He is a threat to do anything at any time. He had a great deal to do with the Miami win last fall.

Woodring completed 20 of 48 passes for 270 yards and three scores.

Though he has the inside track, junior Mike Bryniarski, who has never seen any varsity action because of an injury sustained prior to his sophomore year, could press him. Junior Tom Lis and sophomores Darrell Splithoff, Dave Shelbourne and Dennis Lyons are other possibilities.

Kicking specialist Dick Emmerich (who made the Michigan Football All-Big Ten squad at that department) could inherit the fullback spot. He averaged 4.3 yards a carry last fall. He'll receive competition from sophomore Mike Adamle, the top ground-gainer on the freshman team last fall.

The strongest part of the defense is in the linebacking department. The Wildcats return the entire starting quartet of John Cornell, Joe Hudson, Ron Mied and Don Ross.

Both defensive ends are also back, Mark Proskine and Ed Paquette.

The tackle spot is the place where replacements are needed. With both starters gone, Frank Mullins is the lone returning letterman, but he missed spring practice due to back surgery.

A possibility is sophomore Bill Galler, who had a promising freshman start, but then broke his leg in the second game of the season and saw no further action.

Three experienced defensive backs return to try and replace Coyne and Garretson. They are Denny White, Harold Daniels and Rich Dean.

The Wildcats have a history of playing their best when the pressure is out of the way. They gamble a lot and it can produce some impressive results, such as last season's 39 point effort in a big win over Iowa.

Kurzawski is the Carl Yastrzemski of the club, the guy who can do it all and the one who'll put the team back in the game when all hope seems lost.

Northwestern could have a fine team eventually, if: the lettermen improve and stay free from injury; the sophomores come along; nobody gets discouraged by some early season losses; Woodring or somebody else solves the quarterback riddle.

SUMMATION

Strength: A solid, experienced interior offensive line, paced by center Jack Rudnay; a good, one-deep defense that has eight returning lettermen, paced by four returning linebackers; a good running game, built around the two returning halfbacks. Kurzawski provides one of the biggest threats in the Big Ten.

Weakness: A solid quarterback-end team and depth everyplace.

Outlook: If the Wildcats learn something from the first five games, and improve, then the club could have a very successful second half. The Wildcats figure to lose their first five games, but could just as easily win the last five which would put them up high in the first division. But there should be some more slips some place and several more losses could occur. The record might not be spectacular, but the team should definitely be improved over '67. (3-7).

Wins over Wisconsin, Michigan, Michigan State.

Losses to Miami (Fla.), Southern California, Purdue, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Iowa, Illinois.

Wolverines Rally Round Ron Johnson And Bump

Ron Johnson was expected back, but Bump Elliott wasn't.

Rumors flew through the air during and after last season that Bump would "step up" to the athletic director's post that the retiring Fritz Chrisler would vacate the following June.

Well Fritz has left, but track coach Don Canham filled his shoes and Bump put his own back on for the '68 campaign. He'll get at least one more shot to make the Wolverines a winner. It'll be tough.

But with the Tom Harmon-like halfback Johnson returning, anything might and probably will happen.

Johnson can break a game open suddenly, or wear a defense down continuously, with his driving and striving for yardage.

Last season he gained 1,005 yards—enough to break the proud record Harmon once held.

Johnson's biggest asset is his strength and durability. He can carry a ball as many as 42 times during a game (which he did last season against Northwestern) and be just as strong on the 42nd run as he was on the first.

With Johnson in the backfield is dangerous Dennis Brown. Bump gets sole credit for his success.

Brown got his chance last season during the Michigan State game. Regular Dick Vidmer was as ineffective as the entire team was, as the 34-0 loss indicates.

Brown wasn't spectacular against the Spartans, but he showed he had possibilities, especially seeing as it was his first action.

Brown loves to run with the ball as much or more than he likes to put it in the sky.

Because of that, he led the Big Ten in total offensive plays with 290, on 135 runs and 155 passes.

Against Indiana, he set a pair of single game marks with a most-plays record of 61 and a rushing-passing mark of 338 yards (127 on the ground, 221 by air).

Brown completed well over 50 per cent of his passes last season—82 of 156 for 913 yards and five touchdowns. Seven were picked off by enemy defenders.

If Brown gets hurt, the Wolverines are in trouble. John Thomas, a senior from Walled Lake, is the logical back-up choice, but he has been plagued by injuries throughout his career and missed a good part of the spring work. He didn't throw any passes in action last season. His big problem now is an ailment in his hand.

Sophomore prospects include Jerry Perkins, Don Moorhead, Bill Berutti and Jim Betts, who is 6-4, but who also has been injured.

John Gabler, a junior from Royal Oak, will complement Johnson. He scored twice last season and averaged only 1.6 yards per carry. However, this big duty will be as a blocker for Johnson and Brown.

Tim Wadhams, another cripple who is a junior, is also a possibility. He saw no running action last season.

Sophomores who might help include Kirby Sams, Greg Harrison, Lance Scheffler and John Kitzmiller. All weigh less than 200 pounds.

Garvie Craw returns to the line-up at fullback. Standing

6-2, 211, he averaged 3.4 yards a carry last season, but carried only 29 times.

Warren Sipp, a senior, should also help some place. He averaged 4.3 yards per carry during the season, after switching from end in 1966.

The big problems Elliott will concentrate on are developing depth everywhere and replacing split end Jim Berline, the interior offensive line and the linebacking spots.

Sixteen lettermen are missing including eight starters from last fall.

"We have a rugged task ahead in a short amount of time," Elliott says.

"We must replace one whole side of our offensive line, make adjustments to gain maximum strength and place our incoming sophomores where they will best fit in. One of our major prospects here will be to find someone to take Jim Berline's place at split right end. Defensively, we must replace linebackers like Dennis Morgan, Rocky Rosema and Dennis Monthei, and that's a difficult task in itself."

Berline was the Big Ten's second best pass receiver last season, with 41 catches for 505 yards and three touchdowns.

The most likely successor apears to be junior Bill Harris, 6-1, 190. He has good speed and sure hands and has looked impressive, but has also been a victim of the injury bug. Others in the picture are Ken Wall and Tom McCaffrey.

Opposite Berline's spot, burly Jim Mandich returns. He stands a solid 6-3, 215. He snagged 26 aerials last season for 256 yards and is a terrific blocker. Newcomers Bob Wilson, Tom Nieman, Ed Moore and Jerry Imsland will spell him.

Both tackles were back, but Elliott switched Stan Broadnax to right guard, where he'll replace Bob Baumgartner, who switched over to left guard to replace the departed Ray Phillips.

The other tackle is Bob Penksa, a 6-1, 225-pound, hard-blocking bruiser. Three sophomores will back him up—Giulio Catallo (6-4, 260), Ed Baldwin (6-1, 220) and Steve Kingdon (6-4, 215).

Pete Drehmann, the team's fine punter, will also have a shot at some tackle duty, along with 6-3, 255-pound Dan Dierdorf and Bob Ritley, a 228-pound junior.

Other guard possibilities include Dick Calderazzo, John Wolff (both 220 pounds), Ed Kunsa, Joe Jones and Jack Harpring.

Besides Phillips, center Joe Dayton is also missing.

There are three possibilities to replace him—Dave Denzin, 6-2, 225-pound senior; Pete Sarantos, 6-0, 200-pounder and Fred Sample, 6-0, 225-pound junior.

Senior Tom Stincic, 6-3 and 217 pounds, is the leading linebacker returnee. He made the switch a year ago and made it well.

Mike Hankwitz, who also place-kicks, and Bob Wedge are other possibilities.

Dennis Sirosky, Rick Brown and a pair of sophomore contenders, Marty Huff (a converted fullback) and Tim Killian are other possibilities. All are big.

The defensive ends should be set, in senior Jon Kramer and junior Phil Seymour. Both hit extremely hard. Seymour is the cousin of Notre Dame's Jim Seymour.

Other back-up men include Curt Falkenhagen, and sophomores Pete Newell, Bruce Heagstedt and Steve Flanagan.

Tom Goss and Gerry Miklos, both seniors, should be the tackles. Other possibilities are Terry Frysinger, Dick Tackett, both '67 reserves, Jim Banar and Don Parks. Parks stands 6-5, 235 and is listed as a fine prospect.

Promising guard candidates are Jim Wilhite, a senior letterman, and Al Francis, Morris Abrahams and Henry Hill.

Speed and experience highlight the defensive backfield.

Brian Healy, Tom Curtis, Jerry Hartman, Barry Pierson and George Hoey all survived shaky starts last fall, to form a fine pass defense.

1-2-3) *George Hoey, Gerry Hartman and Tom Curtis all started in Michigan's defensive backfield last season, and all return again in '68 to make that area one of the club's strong points.*

4-5) *Garvie Craw and John Gabler will complement Ron Johnson in Michigan's backfield.*

6) *Dave Denzin is a strong possibility to replace the departed Joe Dayton at center.*

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In addition, Hoey was the conference's leading punt returner, with ten returns for a 23.8 yards per return average.

Frank Titas, last season's regular place-kicker, Bob Kieta, John Lynch and Eric Sorenson are other possibilities.

The Wolverines could have a very good season or a very poor one, but something in between seems more appropriate.

If Brown and Johnson do the jobs they're capable of doing, then Michigan could prove a serious threat against anybody.

But Brown can't run all the time, and he needs somebody to throw to. Mandich doesn't appear to have enough speed to be a deep target.

Lapses have plagued the club in the past, but veterans appear at many places and some of the sophomores show a good chance of coming through. If that's the case, then Don Canham may keep Bump around for several more seasons after '68.

SUMMATION

Strength: The backfields, especially on offense, where record-holders Ron Johnson and Dennis Brown lead the way. The entire defensive foursome returns from last season. The sophomores are big and appear capable, but how soon, must be determined.

Weakness: Over-all depth, some solid linebacking and the lack of a good receiver, the kind that Jack Clancy and Jim Berline were.

Outlook: Michigan is always a tough team to figure. It can play poorly and win, and play well and lose. If Brown and Johnson play consistently well and the pass defense is fairly sound, then the Wolverines might finish rather high in the first division. But Michigan most likely will find some way to win about half and lose about half (5-5).

Wins over California, Navy, Minnesota, Illinois, Wisconsin

Losses to Duke, Michigan State, Indiana, Northwestern, Ohio State.

JOHNSON SPARKS 'M'

With the dash of Jim Pace and the power of Tom Harmon, Ron Johnson statistically earned himself the title of Michigan's all-time top single-season rusher last fall.

The sturdy yet fast, 6-1, 192-pound blockbuster from Detroit established himself as a ball-toting threat in the third game of the season when he set a Michigan and Big Ten record of 270 yards traveled over the ground.

It won't count as a Big Ten mark though, because the opposition wasn't a Big Ten team. But it bettered Michigan State's Clint Jones effort of 268 yards gained against Iowa in 1966.

As Johnson kept busting the line for sizeable gains, defenses kept keying on him. Nevertheless, Coach Bump Elliott kept ordering the ball placed in his midriff.

But by the time the eighth game of the season against Illinois rolled around, Johnson had gained 410 conference yards and was well on his way to the Big Ten season record as well.

In the seventh game against Northwestern, Johnson lugged the leather a Big Ten record 42 times and picked up 167 yards—an average of four yards a crack.

But with defenses bearing down on him more and more, Ron wound up fourth in Big Ten net rushing yardage, even though he did soar over the 1,000 yard mark, with five yards to spare.

He came into the season's final game against Ohio State with 909 to his credit and totaled 96 against the Buckeyes.

But his big days were against the non-conference teams where he totaled 405 yards in the three games. He had an even 600 in the Big Ten battles in 155 carries. He did lead the league in total carries, a mark of the confidence the Wolverine coaching staff placed in him and a mark of his durability.

He carried the ball 220 times for the season, an average of 22 carries a game. His season net average was 4.6. He had eight runs for touchdowns and his 48 points was twice as many as any other Wolverine.

Ron seemed like a slightly better-than-average prospect his sophomore year, even though he played quite sparingly. He got into action for 29 minutes and carried the ball 12 times for a 3.7 yard average.

Leroy Keyes and Perry Williams of Purdue, and Illinois' Rich Johnson were the Big Tenners who topped his conference rushing totals.

Ron has been called one of the finest conditioned athletes ever to play football at Michigan. He is noted for the same aggressiveness that he displays while carring the ball near the end of a game that he displays at the start.

"If you press Ron enough, he'll admit that one time he did get tired," Elliott says. "But he won't tell you when that was. He's a daylight runner. If the hole isn't there, he goes wherever it is."

Ron comes from an athletic family. His brother Alex is famous as an outfielder for the St. Louis Cardinals. Alex and Ron obviously differ in their views on sports, especially when Ron says things like:

"I got tired of baseball. It was okay, but football—that's the game for me."

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MICHIGAN 1967 STATISTICS

RUSHING	ATT.	NET	AVG.
R. Johnson	220	1005	4.6
Sipp	24	104	4.3
Titas	2	9	4.5
Gabler	16	25	1.6
Sharpe	33	98	2.9
D. Brown	137	358	2.6
Craw	29	101	3.4
Federico	2	3	1.5
Vidmer	25	−68	−2.7

PASSING	ATT.	COMP.	INT.	YDS.	TD
D. Brown	156	82	7	913	5
Vidmer	88	38	6	376	0

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS.	TD
Berline	54	624	3
R. Johnson	13	179	1
Sharpe	5	58	0
Mandich	26	256	0
Gabler	20	173	1
Craw	1	5	0

SCORING	TD	CK	CPR	FG	TP
R. Johnson	8	0	0	0	48
D. Brown	4	0	0	0	24
Berline	3	0	0	0	18
Gabler	2	0	0	0	12
Hankwitz	0	7-6	0	6-2	12
Sharpe	1	0	0	0	6
Titas	0	11-7	0	2-1	10
Sipp	1	0	0	0	6
Hoey	1	0	0	0	6
Weinmann	0	0	1-1	0	2
Team	0	1-0	0	0	0

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1) *Jim Mandich is a fine offensive end who should be Dennis Brown's primary pass target.*
2) *The Wolverines need linebackers to help their only returnee—Tom Stincic, a* 6-3, 217-*pound dandy who switched to the position from defensive end a year ago.*
3) *Tom Goss, the Wolverines' regular defensive tackle.*

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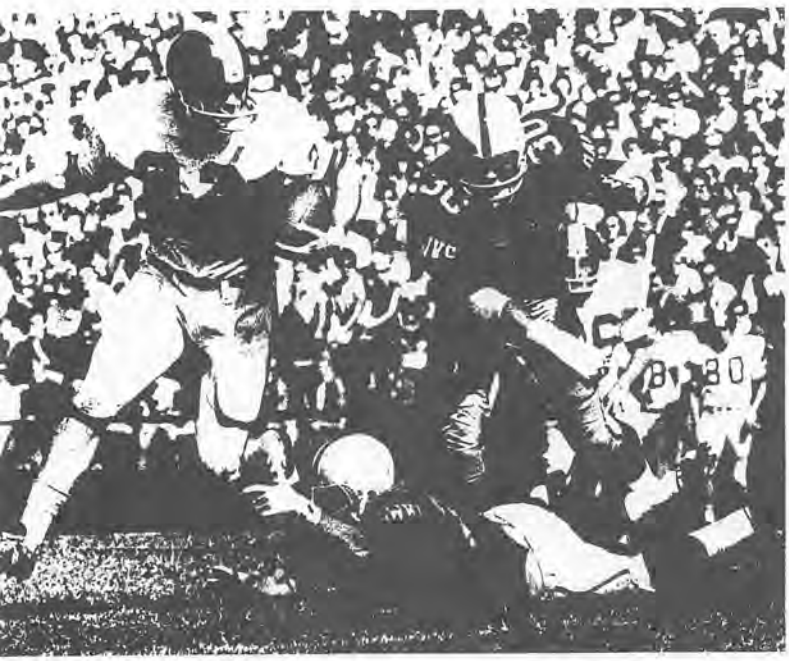

PLENTY OF RETURNING STARTERS GIVE HAWKEYES HOPES

Iowa has won three games in the last two seasons; the chances are good the club could top that figure in '68.

Iowa had a poor football team in 1967, but it played well on occasion despite its poor record.

Coach Ray Nagel's team won its first game in impressive style over Texas Christian, but that was the end of the successes, unless you count the 21-21 tie with Wisconsin—the only blemish on Wisconsin's otherwise totally hapless season.

But Iowa's last four games were very exciting and produced some near-victories.

The Hawks gave Minnesota all it wanted before bowing 10-0, then lost a wide-open affair at Northwestern, 39-24.

Playing in Columbus, Iowa then lost to Ohio State 21-10, though the game was close throughout. A 21-19 heartbreaker against Illinois ended the campaign.

But where there was darkness, there was also light.

When regular quarterback Ed Podolak was injured, Mike Cilek came on and did a remarkable job. He set a Big Ten record of 27 completions against Illinois, for 316 yards. The yardage total tied the conference mark.

He wound up with 61 completions in 136 attempts for 734 yards and four touchdowns.

Podolak had 79 completions in 162 tosses, for 1,014 yards (in just six games) and five scores. He completed 49 per cent of his attempts.

So, if there's such a thing as having the top two quarterbacks in the Big Ten, or in the nation for that matter, the Hawkeyes have them.

Podolak is an outstanding runner as well as passer and should get the starting job again.

The Hawkeyes also have their top two receivers back, All-Big Ten Al Bream (55 catches for 703 yards) and wingback Barry Crees, who nabbed 32 for 520 yards. Paul Laaveg, a fairly good right end, had 14 catches and he too, returns.

Besides the veteran QB's, sophomores Larry Lawrence and Roy Bash are also highly-touted and could work their way in sometime.

The biggest need is over-all improvement on defense.

Last season, Iowa gave up over 38 points four different times. Besides TCU and Minnesota, no club scored fewer than three touchdowns against it.

Both starting tackles, Duane Grant (228 pounds) and Rich Stepanek (232) are back, along with middle guard Greg Allison (222), the best of the linemen.

The only missing linemen are John Hendricks, a guard, and Pete Paquette, an end.

Scott Miller returns at the other end, though he is small at 205.

Sophomore talent is being heavily relied upon. Layne McDowell (260), Dave Link (240), Dan McDonald (230) and Kim Markshausen (255) are all big, strong boys who should see a lot of action. All are guards or tackles, but may fill in at either place.

Ray Manning (204) may play either offensive or defensive end as should Herschell Epps (210) on defense only.

Two linebackers return—Rod Barnhart (193) and Don Sibery (206). Though they started last season, they could be pushed by sophomores Dave Brooks (200) and Dave Clement (200). John Hull is another possibility.

All-Big Ten Steve Wilson will be the bulwark of the defensive backfield, with Andrew Jackson back to help him out. Both are small (175 pounds each) and fast.

Sophomore possibilities are Coleman Lane, Ray Cavole and Charles Bolden.

The line is weaker than the backfield, but depth will be short everywhere—that is unless, the sophomores come through, which is a distinct possibility.

Offensively, Silas McKinnie, the main running back, is gone, as is Cornelius Patterson. But they're the only missing runners.

Tim Sullivan is back at fullback, where he gained 323 yards last season, the same amount that Podolak totaled.

Neither Crees nor Cilek is a runner, and the only other returning runner with any experience is tailback Pat Dunnigan who carried just five times for 12 yards last season.

Sophomore possibilities include wingbacks Tom Hayes and Kerry Reardon, fullback Tom Wallace, and tailbacks Denny Green and Bill Powell.

The Hawkeyes, despite their record, still ranked second in offense last season, conference-wise.

The passing game will need adequate line protection and it appears to be there.

Four of the five interior line starters are back—both tackles, Melvin Morris (241) and Mike Phillips (222); and

1) *Iowa always came close, but never quite made it last fall, as this photo shows. Here Ed Podolak* (14) *had a blocker and hole in front of him, but a Texas Christian runner nabbed him from behind when another Hawkeye missed a block. Iowa won the game though, its only triumph of the season.*
2-3) *The best quarterback tandem in the Big Ten—Mike Cilek and Ed Podolak.*
4-5) *Barry Crees and Tim Sullivan are starters in Iowa's backfield. Crees is a fine flanker, while Sullivan will bear the brunt of the running load at fullback. Both started last season.*
6) *Scott Miller, fine defensive end who started a year ago. He'll be heavily counted upon in '68.*
7) *Jon Meskimen, junior offensive guard.*

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both guards, Larry Ely (207) and Jon Meskimen (237).

Both centers Paul Usinowicz and Greg Barton graduated, and no new prospects are in sight. Work is needed there.

Other returning lettermen include senior Tom Haugo (218) while Louis Age and Jim Miller are sophomore possibilities.

The running game should be reasonably good outside, and if the line improves at all, there may be more holes in the middle for runners to barrel through.

In all, 28 lettermen are back.

Another definite problem is the kicking game. Erratic punting caused many unnecessary problems last fall. Podolak and Dean Schuessler will handle the chores again this season and both should be more consistent. Sophomore Kerry Reardon is another possibility. Both Schuessler and Podolak averaged only 31.6 yards a boot last season.

Outstanding place-kicker Bob Anderson is gone. Al Schuette or sophomore Marcos Melendez may inherit the job.

If sophomores come through on defense and Podolak and/or Cilek have another fine year, the Hawks could have a winning campaign. But it may take another year.

SUMMATION

Strength: Offensive attack, built around passers Ed Podolak and Mike Cilek and receivers Al Bream and Barry Crees. Defensive backfield also pretty consistent.

Weakness: Over-all depth, plus weak defensive line and linebacking. Kicking game must also improve, but it should anyway.

Outlook: The Hawkeyes should be a better club this season. But the schedule appears to be quite difficult and past seasons have shown improvement only after the season was too far gone. Could be five wins, but two or three is more realistic. (3-7).

Wins over Wisconsin, Ohio State, Northwestern.

Losses to Oregon State, Texas Christian, Notre Dame, Indiana, Purdue, Minnesota, Illinois.

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IOWA 1967 STATISTICS

RUSHING	ATT.	NET	AVG.
Silas McKinnie, tb	166	588	3.5
Tim Sullivan, fb	79	323	4.1
Ed Podolak, qb	112	323	2.8
Cornelius Patterson	29	116	4.0
Pat Dunnigan, tb	5	12	2.4
Barry Crees, wb	1	−2	−2.0
Mike Cilek, qb	31	−66	−2.1

PASSING	ATT.	COM.	INT.	YDS.	TD	PCT.
Ed Podolak, qb	162	79	9	1,014	5	.489
Mike Cilek, qb	136	61	6	734	4	.441

RECEIVING	CGHT.	YDS.	TD
Al Bream, le	55	703	5
Barry Crees, wb	32	520	0
Silas McKinnie, tb	18	157	0
Paul Laaveg, re	14	143	1
Gary Larsen, le	10	109	1
John Hayes, wb	3	36	0
Pat Dunnigan, tb	3	25	0
Tim Sullivan, fb	1	13	0
Paul Usinowicz, re	1	11	1
Corny Patterson, fb	1	11	0

SCORING	TD	PAT	FG	TP
Silas McKinnie, tb	9	1R	0	56
Al Bream, le	5	1P	0	32
Bob Anderson, pk	0	13/13	4/7	25
Ed Podolak, qb	3	0/4	0	18
Tim Sullivan, fb	2	0	0	12
Paul Laaveg, re	1	0	0	6
Paul Usinowicz, re	1	0	0	6
Gary Larson, re	1	0	0	6
Mike Cilek, qb	0	0/2R	0	0

FIRST-DIVISION FINISH GOAL FOR ILLINI

Jim Valek's first season as head coach at Illinois provided some happy moments as well as some discouraging ones.

The Illini came off the slush fund mess with a 4-6 log, 3-4 in the conference, and a three-way tie for fifth place in the Big Ten.

The club won its last two games of the season—but barely (a total victory margin of eight points). The two wins were over Northwestern and Iowa, two of the weaker sisters in the Conference. The other Conference conquest was a four-point victory over Ohio State. All three of those clubs face improvement in '68, while the Illini will have to fight to hold their current status.

Though owners of some fine players, Illinois faces a murderous mid-season schedule of five tough games in a row. After two home non-conference assignments with Kansas and Missouri, Illinois must play three consecutive road games at Indiana, Minnesota and Notre Dame. Those are followed by Ohio State, then another road test at Purdue. The season ends with two homers with Northwestern and Iowa, who by that time should be reaching the peak of their seasons.

Five of six games in the middle of the season are on the road (the other is with Michigan, whom Illinois has much trouble beating).

So the biggest area of concern is the schedule. But beyond that, Valek must replace 19 lettermen, including starters John Wright and Craig Timko (both fine offensive ends), Dean Volkman (starting quarterback), Fritz Harms and Larry Jordan (both starting defensive guards last season), Dave Tomasula and Terry Miller (both starting linebackers), and Ron Bess, Ken Kmiec and Rich Erickson (all starting defensive backs). That's the entire group of missing starters.

Other notables gone are first-line reserve offensive tackles John Davis and Jerry Line, and top defensive reserve guards Bill Mitchell and Jerry Schmidt.

Wright is unquestionably the biggest loss. A regular for three seasons, he virtually re-wrote Illinois' all-time pass receiving record lists.

The defensive secondary is the major area of concern. Last season Valek converted players to the defensive positions. This season, he hopes to go with young talent at the spots, with the idea of developing a unit that will stay intact for two or three years.

The only veteran returning is Fred Wolf, a part-time starter last season. Others who could fill in are returnees Bob Dinkelman, Roger McGuire, Randy Wintermute, Rich Kristak and Bill Doherty. None has a distinct edge over the others.

The rest of the defense shows the strength resting on the line.

Two top offensive players, co-captain Carson Brooks, a blocking halfback last season, and center Bruce Erb, have been shifted over to defense.

Brooks, 209 pounds, will play at one end and Erb will join regular Jeff Trigger in what should be an excellent linebacking duo.

Doug Whitman returns again to start at defensive end, while regular tackles Mickey Hogan and Tony Pleviak are also back.

The top four guards, of course, are gone. Two lettermen, Mike McDonough and Bill Nowak, could fill in. Both are small (199 and 202 pounds respectively). Sophomores who could also help out are Ron Balogh (223) and Carl Glover (240).

Other linebacker possibilities include Bill Janecek and Herschel Johnson, who lettered in 1966. Oscar Sliva didn't letter last season as a sophomore, but he could also fill in, along with sophomores Dan Belz, George Loften and Dave Pollard. All weigh less than 210, except for Erb, who goes 219 and should be a standout, despite his newness at the position.

Offensively, the backfield is easily the strong point. The top seven runners from 1967 return, with Rich Johnson the best of the lot. He is only 6-1 and 207, but he still picked up 768 yards in 195 carries last season for a 3.9 average. He'll again play fullback.

Dave Jackson will again play one halfback post. He was good for 325 yards and a 3.3 mark. Brooks was an excellent

Little Billy Huston (5-7, 148 *pounds*) *returns to the Illinois backfield. He gained* 40 *yards last season in limited appearances.*

blocker and now that he's switched, someone else must fill in. That spot could be filled by sophomores Don Spivey (210) or Russell Raddatz (179). Like the latter two, the rest of the returnees are small.

Reserve fullback Ken Bargo was the third leading rusher with just 79 yards and he'll see duty again behind Johnson. He weighs 187.

With Bob Naponic back at the quarterback helm, after injuries sidelined him for most of last season, reserve Bob Bess, Ron's brother, has been moved from the signal-calling post to halfback to utilize his fine running ability. He gained 45 yards last season in limited appearances. He didn't letter, but could get the call at that other halfback slot.

Bill Huston is another letter-winning returnee, but his 5-7, 148-pound frame doesn't put him in the same company with strong Big Ten runners.

Four sophomores will back up Naponic. They include Steve Brehmer, Bob Burns, John Klosterman and Martin Wade. Klosterman is the biggest at 6-3, 207. Sophomore Tom Kmiec is a fine fullback prospect, also.

Valek is optimistic about his offensive line.

While Wright is irreplaceable, Len Wislow returns. He shared a starter's role with Timko last season, catching nine passes for 94 yards.

No other lettermen are present, and the best of the sophomores include Doug Dieken, Tom Jones, John Kaiser and Willie Smith. Jones and Kaiser are quite small, but Smith goes 214 and Dieken 212. Neither is very tall though.

All the tackles are gone except reserve letterman Stacy Gedman (227). He should start, with 230-pound non-letter-winner Tom Scott (230) another possibility. Greg Janus (236) and Joe Sikich (243) are top sophomore prospects.

Both guards are back, Steve Oman (209) and Doug Redmann (213). Again, lack of size is evident. Jerry Pillath could fill in if needed, or any of sophomores Bob Bieszczad (an outstanding prospect), Bryant Danisch or Herman Rudolph.

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Illinois' two top rushers from last season return in '68. *They are Rich Johnson (left), who picked up* 768 *yards, and Dave Jackson, who had* 325.

With Erb moving from center, another hole is present. Non-letterman Jerry Rose (191) could get the call or sophomore Steve Fuller (220).

Though Valek is optimistic about the line, inexperience is abundant. True, the guards are back, but both are small.

But Naponic's return is a big lift. He was injured in the season-opener at Florida last fall, then played part-time against Pittsburgh the next week. He was finished for the season during the Indiana game. Surgery has been performed on his knee and he should be okay this time around. He completed 13 of 29 passes for 126 yards. He was 70 for 162 and 998 yards during his sophomore campaign. He also scored six touchdowns that season.

Kicking should be okay. Junior Dan McKissic, a competent performer from placement will handle the PAT-field goal duties. He scored 15 times with the toe after touchdowns last season and added two field goals.

Charlie Bareither, who punted 42 times last season, is back to handle that department. His 33.9 average didn't set any records, but he is consistent.

SUMMATION

Strength: Offensive backfield, where the top seven runners return, along with fine quarterback Bob Naponic, who seems to have recovered from knee injury of a year ago.

Weakness: Over-all lack of size and adequate experience everywhere except offensive backfield. A pass receiver is needed to replace John Wright.

Outlook: Unless some sophomores come through big, Illinois just doesn't have enough horses to finish in the first division. The middle part of the schedule is murderous. Much will depend on quarterback Naponic and whether he can rally the club together. But the outlook isn't that bright in face of an improving conference. (4-6).

Wins over Kansas, Missouri, Northwestern, Iowa.

Losses to Indiana, Minnesota, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Purdue, Michigan.

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1) *Bob Naponic has shaken off an injury that sidelined him for most of last season and is back to direct the attack at quarterback again in* '68.

2) *Bruce Erb, Illinois' fine linebacker is back for another season.*

3) *Mike Hogan, Illinois' starting defensive tackle.*

MORE WOE FOR THE BADGERS

Badger fans will be looking to quarterback John Ryan for some victories in '68.

Wayne Todd, a bruising fullback, will do the major ball-carrying work for the Badgers. He averaged 4.6 *yards a carry last fall.*

Wisconsin wasn't quite as bad as last season's 0-9-1 record, but it was poor enough to expect anything from this season's club to be improvement. But it may be difficult.

John Coatta's first season at the helm last year was indeed a nightmare. Taking over for the departed Milt Bruhn, his team was the first in Badger history to go through an entire season without winning a game. Only a 21-21 tie with Iowa, a game the Badgers had numerous opportunities to win, saved the team from utter frustration, though that game was probably one of the most frustrating of all.

The defense wasn't very good, though it wasn't nearly as awkward as the offense was. Wisconsin, other than the Iowa game, never scored more than 16 points in any contest and had just 15 touchdowns for the season, an average of one and a half per game.

So, 1968 should be and most likely will be a better year. How much better may be difficult to chart, because the Badgers play a difficult schedule, especially the last half of the season.

The offensive backfield looks to be the best over-all area. Quarterback John Ryan returns to direct the attack. Though he wasn't a full-time starter last season, he still saw plenty of action. Ryan completed 62 of 132 passes for 647 yards and two scores.

He'll be pressed by two fine sophomore prospects, Gary Losse and Randy Marks.

Though John Smith wasn't a starter last season, he was still the club's leading ground-gainer with 362 yards and a 3.8 yard average. He'll get the nod at one halfback spot, while either Stu Voigt (47 yards) or Bill Yanakos, both lettermen, could get the other.

Starter Wayne Todd is back at fullback. He had 249 yards last season, before being injured against Indiana. He averaged 4.6 a carry. Jim Little will back him up, with 78 yards, for 3.1 as credentials.

Sophomore Carl Winfrey is another possibility. He may also see action at a linebacking spot if Coatta so desires.

The Badgers have all seven starting linemen back.

The strongest spot is at the ends, where Tom McCauley (37 catches, 525 yards) and Mel Reddick (42 for 524 yards) hold forth. Both are excellent receivers and should give the Badgers fine receiving strength. However, behind them are plenty of holes, so any injuries to either will provide complications.

The tackles are Brandt Jackson and Ed Hoffman. Bill Gregory (6-5, 225) is a fine sophomore prospect who should also see action.

The guards are Don Murphy and Wally Schoessow, both fine blockers, while Rex Blake is the center. Karl Rudat will back him up. He lettered in a reserve role last season.

Though the offense remains for the most part intact, there is no depth anyplace. The year's experience must produce some improvement.

The defense is built around linebacker Ken Criter, probably the finest defensive player in the conference.

He set the pace for all Big Ten defenders last fall with

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132 tackles, 63 of them unassisted. He was a first-team All-Big Ten choice.

John Borders should also join him, though he didn't start a year ago.

Two starting defensive halfbacks, Mike Cavill and Gary Reineck, both return.

Cavill had two interceptions last season, while Reineck picked off an air-borne fumble. Reineck is considered a fine player.

Pete Higgins also is back in the defensive backfield. Though he didn't start last season, he still is a monogrammer.

The Badgers were to have back outstanding junior Mel Walker. He led the '67 team in passes broken up, opponents' fumbles recovered, touchdown saves and interceptions.

He was headed for a career of greatness, but in the last game of the season against Minnesota, he suffered a crippling leg injury—one so serious that the limb had to be amputated, thus ending his career. It was a symbolic ending to such a frustrating season.

At the ends, starter Lynn Buss is back, while non-starter—but—letter-winner Gary Swalve returns also.

No starting tackles are back and the spot is up for grabs between a number of candidates. Leonard Fields and Jim Nowak, both lettermen, have the inside track.

In all, 23 lettermen return, 17 are gone.

In addition, the Badger freshmen team was unbeaten and though there are only several top prospects in the eyes of the coaches, there are many with possibility tags on them. Sophomores are going to get plenty of action because of the overall lack of depth, probably the most critical feature of the team.

Punter Bob Schaffner (35.3 per kick last season) is back, but the Badgers need a place-kicker. Regular Tom Schinke is gone. He had six field goals in eight attempts last season.

1-2) *Mel Reddick and Tom McCauley will start again at offensive end for Wisconsin. The pair were starters last fall and combined for 79 catches.*
3) *John Smith, Badger running threat.*
4) *Gary Reineck returns at defensive halfback for Wisconsin. He could be an all-conference selection.*
5) *Defensive end Lynn Buss.*
6) *Don Murphy, Wisconsin's starting offensive guard, back for his second season as a regular.*
7) *Ed Hoffman, Wisconsin's regular offensive tackle.*

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SUMMATION

Strength: Good nucleus of returning talent, plus plenty of experience one-deep on offense. Entire offensive line returns, plus top '67 runners. Ken Criter returns to the defense. He is one of the best in the Big Ten if not the country.

Weakness: Depth, depth, and more depth. Wisconsin simply does not have it and much reserve help will have to come from sophomores. Only four are rated as top prospects and two are quarterbacks. The Badgers need all kinds of defensive linemen, plus a spirit of winning, something they haven't tasted since 1966.

Outlook: Though Wisconsin will improve, a rough schedule shows another possibility of going through the conference season without a win. The horses just aren't there. The team will develop, but the last five games will be very difficult. (2-8).

Wins over Utah State, Indiana.

Losses to Arizona State, Washington, Michigan State, Iowa, Northwestern, Ohio State, Michigan, Minnesota.

MICHIGAN FOOTBALL'S

1968 ALL-BIG TEN TEAM

Last year, Big Ten football teams put more underclassmen on the various all-conference teams than ever before. Underclassmen dominated the statistical categories. Only two seniors won statistical titles—and in both cases they were shared. John Tietz of Wisconsin tied Illinois' Tony Pleviak for most tackles for loss (14) and Indiana's Doug Crusan shared the fumbles recovered leadership (3) with four other underclassmen.

The outstanding player of our 23-man aggregate is easily Purdue's do-everything back Leroy Keyes. He is the key man Purdue will rest hopes upon for a trip to Pasadena in December, while he individually battles Southern Cal's O. J. Simpson and other outstanding players across the nation for the Heisman Award, which he narrowly missed getting last season.

Roughly 25 players on the various all-conference teams last year return for another season, one which should be filled with individual standouts.

Purdue and Ohio State lead the pack with five and four selections respectively. Indiana has three, and Iowa, Minnesota, Northwestern and Wisconsin have two apiece. Michigan, Michigan State and Illinois have just one.

Four of the 23 players are juniors, with two—Paul Schmidlin and Ted Provost—coming from Ohio State.

The hardest position to pick was quarterback, where Indiana's Harry Gonso and Purdue's Mike Phipps were comparatively even. While Phipps was superior in the statistical categories, we felt Gonso meant more to his team last season and will again this fall.

Six players each hail from Ohio and Illinois.

OFFENSE

Pos.	Name & School	Hgt.	Wt.	Class	Hometown
E	Al Bream, Iowa	6-3	185	Sr.	Rock Island, Ill.
E	Al Brenner, Mich. St.	6-1	202	Sr.	Niles, Mich.
T	Dave Foley, Ohio St.	6-5	248	Sr.	Cincinnati, O.
T	Ezell Jones, Minn.	6-4	245	Sr.	Memphis, Tenn.
G	Wally Schoessow, Wis.	5-11	222	Sr.	Mequon, Wis.
G	Clanton King, Purdue	6-1	240	Sr.	Chicago, Ill.
C	Jack Rudnay, NW	6-3	235	Sr.	Chagrin Falls, O.
QB	Harry Gonso, Ind.	5-11	187	Jr.	Findlay, O.
HB	LeRoy Keyes, Purdue	6-3	199	Sr.	Newport News, Va.
HB	Ron Johnson, Mich.	6-1	192	Sr.	Detroit, Mich.
FB	Perry Williams, Purdue	6-2	198	Sr.	Cincinnati, O.
KS	Dick Emmerich, NW	6-0	202	Sr.	Ft. Sheridan, Ill.

DEFENSE

E	Bob Stein, Minn.	6-3	231	Sr.	St. L. Pk., Minn.
E	Cal Snowden, Ind.	6-5	213	Sr.	Washington, D. C.
T	Paul Schmidlin, O. St.	6-1	210	Jr.	Toledo, O.
T	Tony Pleviak, Ill.	6-2	237	Sr.	Manhattan, Ill.
G	Chuck Kyle, Purdue	6-2	226	Sr.	Ft. Thomas, Ky.
LB	Jim Sniadecki, Ind.	6-2	203	Sr.	South Bend, Ind.
LB	Ken Criter, Wis.	5-11	209	Sr.	Malone, Wis.
LB	Dirk Worden, O. St.	6-0	195	Sr.	Lorain, O.
HB	Ted Provost, Ohio St.	6-2	175	Jr.	Navarre, O.
HB	Tim Foley, Purdue	6-0	187	Jr.	Chicago, Ill.
S	Steve Wilson, Iowa	6-1	169	Sr.	Rock Island, Ill.

Al Bream, OE, Iowa
Al Brenner, OE, Michigan State

Dave Foley, OT, Ohio State
Ezell Jones, OT, Minnesota

Bob Stein, DE, Minnesota
Cal Snowden, DE, Indiana

Paul Schmidlin, DT, Ohio State
Tony Pleviak, DT, Illinois

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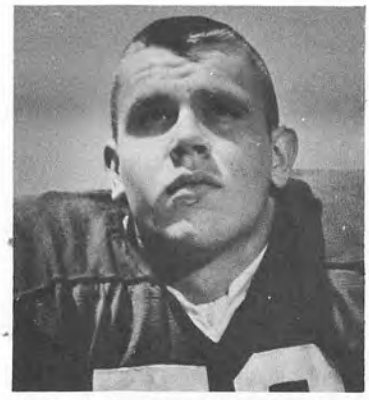

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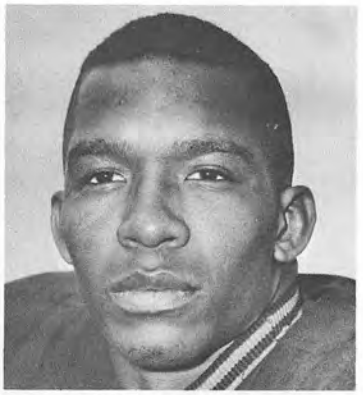

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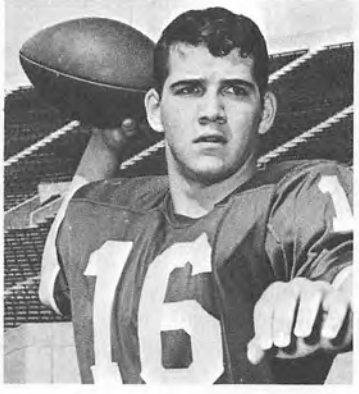

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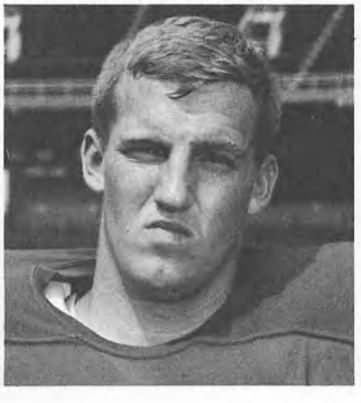

SURPRISE, SURPRISE, SURPRISE

No Big Ten football coach can look back on the 1967 season and not find any rough shocks or pleasant surprises that his team provided during the course of the campaign.

Of course some coaches enjoyed more pleasant surprises than others. Those included Johnny Pont at Indiana, Woody Hayes at Ohio State, Jack Mollenkopf at Purdue and Murray Warmath at Minnesota.

The season was tough on John Coatta at Wisconsin, Michigan State's Duffy Daugherty and Iowa's Ray Nagel among the notables, but other coaches had equally sad week ends on occasion.

Indiana was probably the biggest shock the Big Ten football scene has had in decades. The Hoosiers came into the season with their usual hopes of winning three or four games. John Pont knew he had lightning-like sophomores who might either look horrible with their youthful mistakes, or shine in the warm Indiana sun. In the end, John's skin turned a golden shade of brown, especially after the final week of the season. The Hoosiers stunned Purdue 19-14, before the largest Indiana University football audience in history.

Fans remember the story. After squeaking past Kentucky (12-10) and Kansas (18-15) in home, non-conference assignments, the Hoosiers provided their first major shock with a 20-7 conquest at Illinois.

The team was suddenly 3-0, but when Iowa came to town the following week end, the team looked like the Hoosiers of old, fumbling and bumbling around, trying to lose every way possible. But then sophomore flash John Isenbarger turned almost certain defeat into victory in the last moments, and the Hoosiers prepared to face Michigan in Ann Arbor with a 4-0 slate.

Though Michigan was playing poorly at the time, nobody expected Indiana to bolt into the quick 20-0 lead that it gained.

But then Michigan started to turn Hoosier mistakes into points, and with two minutes left in the game, it was 20-20. However, quarterback Harry Gonso led his team downfield to a score in the final minute, and heart-weak Hoosier fans stumbled home with a fifth straight victory, an Indiana record for most consecutive victories in a season.

The next week Pont took his forces out to Arizona. Coach Darrell Mudra's Wildcats were still strutting their heads high from their season opening triumph over Ohio State, 14-7, in Woody Hayes' backyard.

Mudra made a few public remarks about how weak the Big Ten was getting and that was all the incentive the Hoosiers needed.

Though Gonso was injured early in the game, understudy Mike Perry came in and got the job done just as well, and the Hoosiers flew back to Brown County with their easiest win of the season, a 42-7 rout.

The tension was mounting on his young team and Pont feared it would look past a home assignment with Wisconsin to a big game with Michigan State the following week in East Lansing.

John's worst fears were realized as the Hoosiers played their worst game of the season, yet still managed to outlast the hapless Badgers 14-9, when a Wisconsin pass that looked like a certain touchdown in the final moments was overthrown.

Miserably damp and raw weather greeted Indiana in East Lansing. After trailing most of the way, Gonso and company rallied for a length-of-the-field drive, capped by an 8-yard Isenbarger dash to paydirt in the final moments for a 14-13 pulse-pounding victory.

But the odds still were long against Indiana. It had to finish at Minnesota and then at home against Purdue.

The bubble finally burst at Minneapolis. Still down just one touchdown in the final quarter, the young Hoosiers finally made enough mistakes at the wrong time to give Minnesota three gift touchdowns and a 33-7 win in a game that was much closer than the score.

Meanwhile, Purdue had survived every Big Ten foe that it had faced and went to Bloomington a game up on the Hoosiers, but still tied with Minnesota.

Since Purdue couldn't go to the Rose Bowl because of the no repeat rule, Indiana would go if it could win, while Minnesota (providing it could beat Wisconsin, which it did just barely), would go if the Hoosiers lost.

So 52,000 fans jammed IU stadium on a perfect November afternoon to watch the two Hoosier state dandies collide.

While most put their faith in Purdue, Indiana still wanted the Rose Bowl bid.

Paced by the brilliant running of Terry Cole, Indiana bolted into a 19-7 halftime lead.

Chagrined by the thought of losing, the Boilermakers rallied for a quick third quarter score and then doggedly fought for the goal line once more in the fourth quarter. Purdue got to the four yard line with two minutes left, but a fumble squirted into the air on a dive through the middle for an apparent touchdown and the Hoosier defense came up with it. Indiana's offense was nil in the last half but it didn't matter anyway. Indiana was in, 19-14.

While Purdue spent the early part of winter trying to figure out what happened, Pont, his team, and some 20,000 Indiana fans paraded to the west coast to meet Southern California in what looked like a possible mismatch.

Wined and dined for two weeks, Indiana met the Trojans on a sun-shiny California New Year and absorbed a bearable 14-3 loss in a game of offensive mechanical errors. The glorious season ended, a 9-2 record and the Big Ten championship intact.

But despite Indiana's win over it, Purdue was still considered by many as the class of the conference.

Indiana began its trek to a Big Ten title in the season's third game against Illinois. The Hoosiers scored an important 20-7 *decision. Bob Naponic* (12), *Illinois' quarterback, was hurt in the game and didn't see any more action for the Illini the rest of the season. Here he aims a pass in the direction of All-Big Ten end John Wright* (45).

With priceless Leroy Keyes paving the way with his magnificent running and pass-receiving, the Boilermakers swept to four straight wins at season's start, including a 28-21 thriller over Notre Dame in Lafayette and an even more impressive 41-6 thrashing of Woody's Buckeyes in Columbus before a jammed house.

But then, as has been tradition with recent Boilermaker contingents, Purdue lost its homecoming game to Oregon State, 22-14.

It was the kind of harassing that Oregon State was to spend its season administering though, as it dealt USC its only loss and forced UCLA into a tie.

Mollenkopf regrouped his forces after that shock and the team scored 41, 42 and 41 points respectively in its next three games, rolling over Iowa, Illinois and surprisingly, Minnesota, in what was supposed to be the Big Ten championship game.

Purdue then stumbled past Michigan State, something everybody seemed to be doing, before the Indiana clambake. It was an 8-2 season, 6-1 in the conference and a tri-championship with the Hoosiers and Minnesota.

Defense was the key at Minnesota. Coach Murray Warmath's team was optimistic at season's start, what with legions of big, beefy linemen who were to cream enemy lines and runners at every turn. The Gophers did—most of the time.

Only once did it look bad—at Purdue. The first loss was a 7-0 heartbreaker at Nebraska. The Gophers also finished 8-2 and 6-1 in the conference.

Minnesotans were miffed at not getting the Rose Bowl bid, what with winning big over Indiana and claiming that the conference established its priority rule after Minnesota had last gone to the Rose Bowl.

But Big Ten athletic directors looked at Indiana's never having represented the conference on the coast and its win over Purdue, which had beaten Minnesota earlier, of course.

Right behind the big three was Ohio State, possibly the best team in the final half of the season.

Woody's club lost three of its first five games, but then regrouped and won its last four.

The streak started with a big win over Michigan State at East Lansing, 21-7, but then Wisconsin brought its poor record into Ohio Stadium and caused havoc. The Buckeyes prevailed in the end however, 17-15.

Iowa went down 21-10 and then Michigan followed, 24-14 at Ann Arbor.

Probably a bigger surprise than Indiana was Michigan State. Fresh off the 10-10 stalemate with Notre Dame the previous November, the Spartans figured to be down, but certainly strong enough to beat off the rest of the pack.

But coach Duffy Daugherty ran into so many problems before the season was over that he couldn't point a finger at one chief factor.

Included though, were numerous early-season injuries, a controversial court case with star defensive back Jesse Phillips, six suspensions of players before the Notre Dame game and a rash of miserable breaks.

The season's pattern was set in the opening game against dangerous Houston.

Playing against a running wizard in Houston's Warren McVea, the young, obviously green Spartan defense couldn't cope with the lightning-like Cougar's running ability and State went down to a 37-7 defeat, which left State fans stunned as they filed out of Spartan Stadium.

What could have been a quick turning point in the season, turned into another rough loss the next week against Southern Cal. The score was 21-17, but State had a sure touchdown called back and missed another golden opportunity just before the first half ended.

Wisconsin was a vegetable for State, 35-7 and then Michigan fell 34-0, the worst defeat the Spartans had ever dealt their arch-rivals.

It looked much brighter for State as it headed with renewed zest the next week to Minnesota.

But early injuries to Jimmy Raye and Al Brenner proved costly and the stubborn Minnesota defense shut State out, 21-0. From that point on, the season was almost a total loss.

Six players broke curfew the night after and Duffy benched them for Notre Dame.

The Irish breezed to a 24-0 lead before a jammed-packed crowd and a national television audience looking on. But State rallied for two late scores and lost respectably, 24-12.

But then the offense collapsed against Ohio State, 21-7, and more costly mistakes left it a loser against Indiana.

Purdue ran up a 21-0 halftime lead before an irked Duffy benched most of his regulars. The reserves responded by shutting the powerful Boilermaker scoring machine out in the second half.

Hoping to salvage a final-game win, Duffy aroused his crippled and lame for a 41-27 win over Northwestern, before a sparse 45,000 fans, a good 35,000 fans shy of the turnout at the previous season's closeout.

Despite all the problems, State still tied for fifth place with Illinois and Michigan, but wound up 3-7 on the year and lost all its non-conference games.

Though it was a losing season for Illinois, it was really a winning season for the entire athletic program.

Crushed by the slush-fund scandal that rocked the football program, new coach Jim Valek regrouped his depleted squad for a 4-6 campaign that included a Columbus win over Ohio State, 17-13.

The Illini also won their last two games, 27-21 over Northwestern, and 21-19 over Iowa. Illinois also just missed against Minnesota, 10-7.

Valek survived his first season with a 3-4 conference standing.

Only Notre Dame and Purdue made him look really bad. The Irish were due for a big win and did so at Champaign, 47-7, while Purdue ran up the score to 42-9 in a game closer than that mark indicates.

Michigan was more up and down than a yo-yo.

Coach Bump Elliott was the brunt of much sharp criticism and speculation had it that he was in his last season of coaching.

The Wolverines eked out a 10-7 opening game win over Duke, but then lost a toughie on costly mistakes to California, 10-9.

Navy came to Ann Arbor and left a winner, 26-21, before the Michigan State massacre.

It was at this point that Elliott replaced his regular quarterback Dick Vidmer, with young, inexperienced Dennis Brown. The move enabled the Wolverines to split their last six games, winning three in a row.

After State, Michigan lost another roughie to Indiana then gave one away to Minnesota, 20-15.

Bump managed to drive enough juice into his club for a 7-3 closie over Northwestern. Michigan then put the hex to Illinois again, 21-14 and then put forth its best effort of the year, a 27-14 win at Madison against Wisconsin. The victory was more decisive than the score indicates. The Ohio loss ended the season with a 4-6 log, a better mark than the team performed.

Northwestern had another rocky season. The Wildcats won three games, lost some they should have won and won some they should have lost.

Coach Alex Agase's team made its best effort in the season opener, whipping highly-touted Miami of Florida, 12-7.

The Wildcats then lost two toughies, to Missouri, 13-6 and Purdue, 25-16.

Northwestern led Purdue in the last quarter, but succumbed to Mike Phipps' passing and the hostilities of Purdue's trustworthy fans.

That loss hurt so much, the Wildcats went to sleep down in Texas and woke up with a 50-6 slaughter from lowly Rice.

But Agase kept faith and barely lost another one the next week, this time to Ohio State, 6-2.

The Wildcats finally beat Wisconsin, but then more offensive troubles cost it a 7-3 decision to Michigan.

Agase made some adjustments, being more liberal against Iowa. With on-side kicks, quick kicks and other such forms of trickery, the ornery Wildcats turned back Iowa, 39-24.

Illinois was another close loss, 27-21, and the unique season ended at Michigan State with a 41-27 drubbing. The 3-7 mark could just as easily have been 7-3.

Iowa and Wisconsin were so bad they couldn't produce a winner when the two played themselves.

The Hawkeyes did manage to win their opening game against Texas Christian, 24-9, but that was all the glory left in another long, losing season.

The Hawkeyes did however make it rough on a few clubs. Indiana barely beat them, Purdue had to rally in the late going for the 41-22 decision, Minnesota could score just 10 points and won 10-0, Ohio State just prevailed 21-10, and Illinois won the season finale, 21-19.

Like Northwestern, Iowa was just several steps away from at least a .500 season.

Wisconsin coach John Coatta still can't figure out his club. Injuries were one main factor but the Badgers made so many other mistakes, Coatta must have wondered what sport his team was playing.

Only a mid-season 21-21 stalemate with Iowa saved Wisconsin from a totally hapless season.

Wisconsin, though, did just barely lose to Indiana, Ohio State, Northwestern, Pittsburgh and Minnesota.

The point margins in those games were five, two, four, two and seven.

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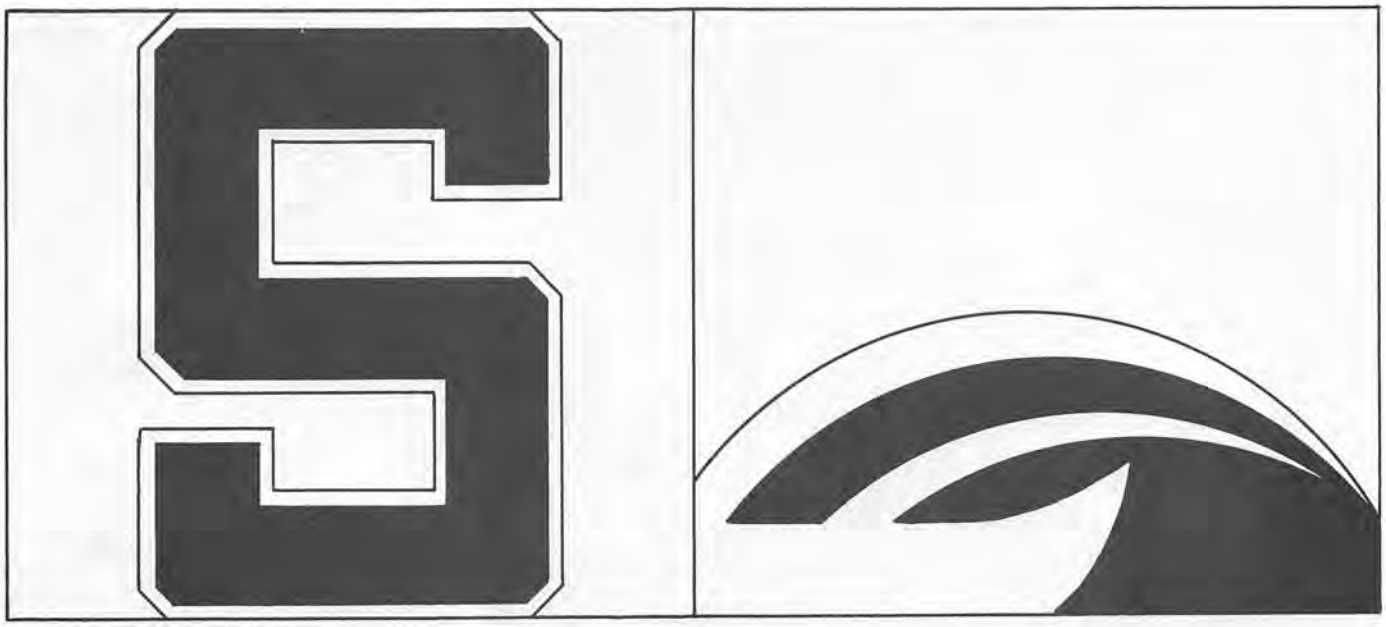

MSU vs. UM A Great Grid Rivalry

Some call it the greatest college football rivalry today, others refer to it as one of the top sports spectacles of any year and Duffy Daugherty calls it a fine tribute to a great state.

Any way you look at it, the 60-year-old Michigan-Michigan State series is certainly the premier football battle of the year in the state of Michigan.

No less than the 20 straight Wolverine-Spartan clashes have been sellouts since 1947, in a series that the Michigan Wolverines hold a 36-19-5 advantage.

An amazing 1,790,989 spectators have witnessed the last 20 intra-state battles, including the record 103,234 fans that watched Michigan State topple the Wolverines 34-8, in 1959.

It all started back in 1898 when an uncoached and poorly equipped Michigan State team fell to a powerful Michigan squad, 39-0, in Ann Arbor.

The most lopsided victory in the lengthy rivalry came in their second meeting (1902) when Michigan humiliated the Spartans, 119-0. This loss sent Michigan State back to playing the Michigan freshman team.

After whipping the Wolverine frosh four times, the Michigan State-Michigan series started on a yearly basis in 1910, with a 6-3 verdict going to the Wolverines.

State, after losing six and tying one in its first seven Michigan games, finally got in the winner's circle in 1913 by scoring a 12-7 victory in Ann Arbor.

Michigan won in 1914, 3-0, while the Spartans tallied their second triumph the following campaign, 24-0. After State's second win, however, it was all Michigan for the next 18 years.

Rolling to 18 consecutive victories, including seven straight shutouts (1919-25), Michigan upped its series' advantage to 26-2-1, before State chalked up four in a row (1934-37).

The Wolverines gained the upper hand in the rivalry once again, by winning ten straight games from 1938 to 1949. There were no games played during the war years of 1942 and 1943.

Despite Michigan's lopsided over-all advantage, the Spartans hold a definite upper hand since their football entrance into the Big Ten in 1953. Michigan State sports an 11-3-2 margin over the Wolverines in the past 16 games.

Below is a game-by-game account of the series since Michigan State entered the Big Ten. Home team is in capital letters:

1953—MICHIGAN STATE 14, Michigan 6; A pair of touchdown passes in the second and third quarters provided the Spartans with all the points they needed to topple the Wolverines in their initial Big Ten clash. Jim Ellis was on the receiving end of a five-yard pass from Earl Morrall in the second stanza, while Ellis Duckett caught a four-yarder from Bert Zagers. Louis Baldacci tallied Michigan's TD from the one.

1954—MICHIGAN 33, Michigan State 7; Michigan broke a tight game open early in the final quarter, as it exploded for 20 points, including a 68-yard punt return for six points by Tom Hendricks and a 63-yard scoring pass from Dan Cline to Louie Baldacci. Ed Shannon added another U-M TD in the fourth period on a one-yard smash, while Baldacci scored in the second quarter on a four-yard run and Ron Kramer in the third on a six-yard lumber with a recovered fumble. Leroy Bolden recorded the only points for Michigan State, as the shifty back slanted in from the four in the fourth quarter.

1955—MICHIGAN 14, Michigan State 7; Jim Maddock bolted over from the one yard marker in the third quarter, breaking a 7-7 tie and giving the Wolverines the victory. The U of M drew first blood in the battle when Tony Branoff blasted in from the one in the first period. Ron Kramer kicked both extra points for the winners. Michigan State's lone tally came in the third quarter on Gerald Planutis' one-foot plunge.

1956—Michigan State 9, MICHIGAN 0; The Spartans' John Matsko boted a 20-yard field goal in the third quarter and Dennis Mendyk knifed over from the six-yard line in the final period to provide MSU with its triumph. Michigan rolled up 159 yards total offense compared to State's 143, but all of MSU's yardage came on the ground, leading it to victory.

1957—Michigan State 35, MICHIGAN 6; Amassing a net yardage advantage of 326-172 and a first down margin of 24-16, MSU ripped off 27 points in the second half to bury

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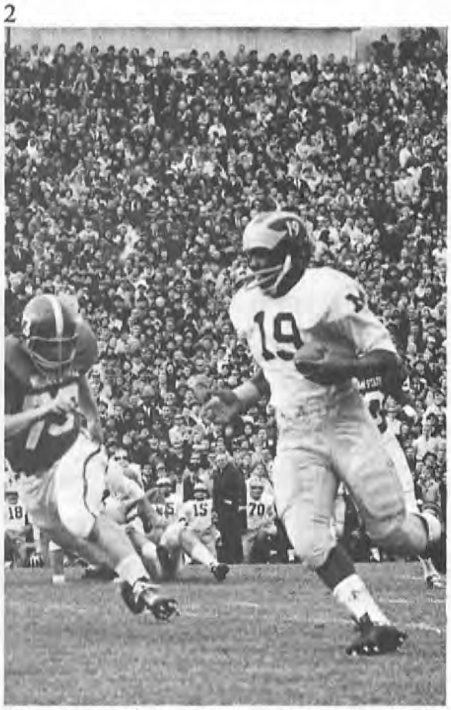

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the Wolverines. The 29-point spread marked the worst defeat given a Michigan team since the intense rivalry began. Walt Kowlacyzk (one yard), Sam Williams (five-yard pass from Jim Ninowski), Bob Jewett (three-yard pass from Ninowski), Art Johnson (62-yard scamper) and Mike Panitch (one-yard sneak) scored for State. Speedy Jim Pace registered Michigan's lone six-pointer on a 10-yard run.

1958—Michigan 12, MICHIGAN STATE 12; Michigan stormed out to a 12-0 lead in the first half, only to have the Spartans chalk up a pair of touchdowns in the third and fourth quarters to knot the score. The Wolverines' Gary Prahst intercepted Mike Panitch's lateral in the second stanza and galloped 42 yards for a score, while Brad Myers notched Michigan's second touchdown later in the period on a one-yard run. Michigan State's TD's came from Dean Look, via a 92-yard punt return, and Bob Bercich, on a two-yard jaunt.

1959—Michigan State 34, MICHIGAN 8; Herb Adderly (three yards) and Blanche Martin (one yard) tallied first quarter touchdowns, and Dean Look (two yards) and Bob Suci (93-yard interception return) added second period scores, as the Spartans rolled past Michigan. Michigan State also scored in the third stanza on a 25-yard aerial from Look to Don Stewart, while Stan Noskin scored from the one in the fourth quarter for Michigan. Art Brandstatter kicked four MSU extra points.

1960—MICHIGAN STATE 24, Michigan 17; Art Brandstatter's third period field goal from the 32-yard stripe tied the score at 17-all and the Spartans' Carl Charon ripped in from the three in the fourth quarter to give MSU the hotly contested decision. Michigan led 17-14 at the intermission by virtue of Deniss Fitzgeralds 99-yard kickoff return. Dave Raimey's two-yard run and John Halstead's 35-yard field goal. The Spartans' first half scoring came from Tom Wilson (six yards) and Gary Ballman (four).

1961—Michigan State 28, MICHIGAN 0; The Spartans bolted to a 14-0 first quarter advantage, and then added a touchdown in the second and fourth quarters to shutout Michigan for only the seventh time. Michigan on the other hand, had 24 "skunks" to its credit over MSU. Gary Ballman (two yard run), George Saimes (17 run), Carl Charon (10-yard pass from Pete Smith) and Sherman Lewis (two run) scored for State.

1962—MICHIGAN STATE 28, Michigan 0; Squirmin' Sherman Lewis broke loose for three touchdowns as State chalked up its second shutout in a row over Michigan—by the same score, no less. Lewis scored on runs of five and three yards, while catching a seven-yard pass from Pete Smith. MSU's other TD came on an 18-yard aerial to Lonnie Sanders from Charlie Migyanka. The Spartans rolled up 391 yards rushing compared to Michigan's 72.

1963—MICHIGAN 7, Michigan State 7; Big John Henderson snatched a 15-yard pass from Bob Chandler in the first period and Bob Timberlake booted the extra point to give the Wolverines a 7-0 lead. But Sherman Lewis got the Spartans on the scoreboard in the third period when he was on the receiving end of a seven-yard touchdown pass from Steve Juday. Lou Bobich kicked the extra point to knot the score.

1964—Michigan 17, MICHIGAN STATE 10; Michigan scored 14 points in the final 15 minutes of action to score a come-from-behind victory. John Henderson's 31-yard TD reception of Rick Syger's pass capped the rally for the Wolverines, which followed a five-yard touchdown pass from Bob Timberlake to Sygar. Steve Juday bulled in from the one in the first quarter and Larry Lukasik booted a 26-yard field goal for the Spartans' points. Timberlake added a second period 29-yard field goal for Michigan.

1965—Michigan State 24, MICHIGAN 7; Holding Michigan's ground attack to a minus 51 yards, Michigan State's powerful gridders registered an impressive victory. Michigan, however, did have considerable success against the MSU pass defense, blitzing State for 305 yards through the air. Steve Juday (one yard), Clint Jones (10 yards) and Bob Apisa (39 yards) scored touchdowns for the Spartans while Dick Kenney rammed field goals from 20 and 35 yards. Wally Gabler notched the Wolves' lone tally in the second period on a one-yard bolt.

1966—MICHIGAN STATE 20, Michigan 7; Jim Raye got the Spartans off on the right foot with a five-yard touchdown scamper in the first period, but that was all the scoring either team could muster until the final period. In that stanza, Bob Apisa (five-yard run) and Gene Washington (24-yard pass from Raye) scored for State, while Jim Detwiler caught a 15-yard aerial from Dick Vidmer for a Wolverine tally.

1967—Michigan State 34, MICHIGAN 0; The Spartans ripped Michigan for 27 points in the first half and then coasted in the second two quarters for an easy victory. Jim Raye scored a pair of touchdowns in the first and second periods on two yard runs, while the senior quarterback tossed for a pair of other scores to Al Brenner (35 yards) and Frank Foreman (eight yards). Dick Berlinski tallied MSU's final touchdown—an eight-yard run in the fourth quarter—to give State its most one-sided decision ever over a Wolverine grid squad. The Spartans had a net yardage total of 424 compared to Michigan's 216.

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1) 1966. *Michigan State defensive halfback Jerry Jones just managed to tip the ball away from Michigan's outstanding end Jack Clancy which prevented a touchdown just seconds before the end of the first half. Michigan attempted a field goal on the next play but it missed, and State took a* 7-0 *lead into the locker room at halftime. State eventually won,* 20-7 *in one of the most brutal games ever played between the two clubs.*

2) 1964. *Michigan halfback Carl Ward sweeps around left end with Michigan State's Steve Mellinger* (73) *in hot pursuit. Ward gained three yards on the play. Michigan won the game,* 17-10, *its first win over State since* 1955.

3) 1963. *Michigan fullback Mel Anthony heads for a hole that closed up fast by Michigan State's Charlie Brown* (64). *Teams fought to a* 7-7 *stalemate.*

4) 1959. *Before last season, State's biggest win was* 34-8. *Here Reid Bushong* (48) *runs into type of problem that confronted Wolverines all afternoon. State's Tom Winiecki is shown making the stop, despite late block from Michigan's Mike Fillichio* (69).

5) 1958. *Dean Look, a brilliant sophomore halfback ran the Wolverines all over the field during the afternoon, but State and Michigan battled to* 12-12 *tie.*

6) 1956. *One of Michigan State's all-time great backs was Clarence Peaks* (26), *shown here rambling around right end for yardage in game Spartans won,* 9-0.

7) 1953. *State won* 14-6 *en route to a Big Ten title tie in its first conference season during Biggie Munn's last season as coach. Michigan found the going rough, as this shot shows, gaining only* 81 *yards on the ground all day.*

IRISH TO THREATEN FOR NATIONAL TITLE ONCE AGAIN

Two years ago, Terry Hanratty and Jim Seymour were sophomore magazine cover-boys, who led Notre Dame to a national championship.

Fans who watched the '66 Irish unit defeat foes with military precision, wondered in awe just how good Notre Dame might be when Hanratty and Seymour became seniors.

Well, now both are seniors and Notre Dame again has an excellent chance of mauling everybody on its schedule to make up for last season's paltry 8-2 record, with the losses coming to Southern Cal (national champs) and Purdue (just about).

Mark down November 30 on your calendar. On that day, the golden domers play Southern Cal in what could be the closest thing to an actual national championship play-off since the Irish tied Michigan State two years back.

Notre Dame has a little score to settle with O. J. and the other Trojans and it'll be the last game for Hanratty and Seymour in front of a national television audience. It should be a dandy and if Notre Dame's undefeated, it should be even better.

As usual, Ara Parseghian is faced with the tear-jerking problem of selecting which players to play and thus become All-Americans after two or three games.

In fact, Ara said last winter that his biggest handicap was that he himself was not Catholic. How many other college coaches are singing the blues over the same problem?

Getting down to brass tacks, Parseghian loses eleven starters over-all, seven from the defensive unit.

The defense obviously is the major area of concern.

But there are still some dandies around to hunt the enemy, with junior co-captain Bob Olson, senior end Chick Lauck senior tackle Eric Norri and junior tackle Mike McCoy the returning starters.

Olson is the first non-senior to captain a Notre Dame team in 50 years. At 6-0, 225 pounds, he is one of the hardest-hitting players the Irish have ever had. He led the team in tackles last fall.

As usual, all are mammoth. McCoy, an outstanding player, stands a mere 6-5, 270, while Norri is 6-2, 245 and Lauck, 6-1, 225.

Of course the list of missing is tragic to Ara, but contrary to opponents.

Kevin Hardy, John Pergine, Dave Martin, Mike McGill, Tom Schoen, Tom O'Leary and Jim Smithberger are the departed—truly an outstanding group of football players.

The best bets to join Olson in Notre Dame's four-linebacker set-up are juniors Larry Schumacher and Pete Donahue and senior John Lavin.

Terry Hanratty talks strategy with Ara Parseghian during game action. Both will be the brain-trust in Irish operations this fall.

Sophomore prospects include Bob Neidert and Jim Wright, both small as Irish linebackers go.

Other possibilities are juniors Vito Racanelli and Jim Merlitti and senior Joe Freebery.

The nine candidates give the Irish a nice supply of depth.

Schoen, O'Leary and Smithberger were the secondary men and with their departures, Ara is turning to sophomores for help.

Top candidates include Ernie Jackson, Bob Wack, Chuck Zloch and Jim Sheahan. All are fairly small, but fast.

Wack was the stopper in the only freshman game last season. He intercepted a pass against Pittsburgh with 20 seconds left. The Irish won, 21-18.

Senior Tom Quinn and junior Jay Standring are other possibilities.

On the line, senior Bob Kuechenberg (6-2, 245) is moving to offensive tackle from defensive end. However, that move may not be made if sophomores Tony Capers (6-2, 240) and Tom Gasseling (6-2, 217) don't do the job at tackle.

Capers is an outstanding prospect and kicked a 23-yard field goal against Pitt.

Ed Vuillemin and Bob Jockisch (6-3, 260) are the best possibilities to man the end spots.

The offense will be stronger, but depth at the running spots could be a problem.

Notre Dame was looked upon as a team without good runners last fall until Jeff Zimmerman decided that wasn't true.

Zimmerman wound up the team's leading rusher with 591 yards and a 4.4 average per carry. He had a great day against Michigan State.

He took the starting job away from Ron Dushney who

ARA PARSEGHIAN AT NOTRE DAME

Year	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	N.D.	Opp.
1964	9	1	0	.900	287	77
1965	7	2	1	.778	270	73
1966	9	0	1	1.000	362	38
1967	8	2	0	.800	337	124
4 Years	33	5	2	.869	1256	312
Season Average	8.3	1.3	.5	.865	314	78

is back again. Dushney had 229 yards and a 5.1 yard average though, so depth is certainly solid at fullback.

Bob Gladieux will play one halfback spot again. He filled in for Dan Harshman who was injured early in the season and wound up with 384 yards and a 4.6 average. He is also an excellent pass receiver, with 23 catches for 297 additional yards. Two receptions went for scores.

Harshman is gone along with standout captain Rocky Bleier.

Frank Criniti, though only 5-8, 180, is a possibility to get the other halfback spot, as is junior Ed Ziegler. Criniti had 90 yards last fall, Ziegler 36.

Sophomores Denny Allen and Jim Sheahan are other possibilities.

No less than five fine quarterback prospects are on hand and oh how some other coaches would love to have Notre Dame's fifth-string quarterback.

Of course Hanratty is the regular. Notre Dame coaches say he fell off to just a "great" year last fall.

He completed 110 out of 206 passes for 1439 yards and nine touchdowns. One glaring statistic is his 15 pass interceptions, though he gave up none in the last half of the season. His problem, Ara said, was throwing the ball too much when receivers were covered.

Against Purdue, the first Irish loss (28-21), Hanratty threw 63 passes. With another fine season, he has a chance of breaking George Gipp's total offense record.

Then there's Coley O'Brien, the little diabetic who led Notre Dame in the last game and one half of the '66 season.

He is an excellent scrambler.

Bob Belden is also on hand. A senior, he completed five of nine passes last year for 82 yards.

Junior Tom Gores and sophomore Joe Theismann, who completed 15 of 36 passes for 239 yards and three touchdowns against Pitt are other possibilities.

Only two spots in the line need replacing—at guard, where Dick Swatland is gone and at center, for Steve Quinn.

Center candidates with experience are seniors Tim Monty and Mike Holtzapfel and junior Larry Vuillemin, Ed's brother.

Swatland was backed up by Ed Tuck and Jim Ruzicka, both 235-pounders who are back.

The end spot is the strongest.

Of course Seymour is around to catch passes, and it shouldn't take Hanratty long to throw him the 86th of his career.

On the other side, Jim Winegardner (6-4, 225) is another fine blocker as well as receiver.

Kunz is the standout of the interior linemen and he is a bona fide All-America candidate. He has tremendous speed, size and plenty of experience.

Tom McKinley (6-1, 235) will start again at one guard.

Other returning tackle possibilities are Terry Brennan (6-4, 235), Charles Kennedy (6-3, 240), Jim Reilly (6-2, 230) and sophomores Bob Cotter (6-2, 236), Gary Kos (6-2, 235) and Mike Martin (6-3, 230).

Other guard possibilities are Ed Tuck (6-3, 235) and sophomores Jim Blainey (6-1, 155), Larry DiNardo (6-1, 228) and Scott Hempel (6-4, 235).

Steve Buches and Lou Haag are sophomore center prospects.

Joe Azzaro graduated after a fine career as Notre Dame's place-kicker and a replacement must be found.

Bob Gladieux or Rene Torrado will inherit the punting chores, though neither averaged over 33 yards last fall.

The coaching staff has ranked the problems to solve in order. They are:

1, assemble a defense; 2, build the offense around the nucleus of skilled returnees; 3, develop a strong kicking game; 4, arrange personnel to give maximum depth.

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1) *Notre Dame's record has been* 17-2-1 *since Terry Hanratty and Jim Seymour started playing. Here the two casually stroll to class. If both stay healthy, the Irish should be in for another great season.*

2) *If regular signal-caller Terry Hanratty is injured, Notre Dame can still turn to talented little Coley O'Brien, who'd be a regular with almost any other college team. Coley got his playing baptism under fire, first subbing for Hanratty in the famous* 10-10 *tie game against Michigan State in* '66. *Here he fires a pass as a Spartan defender is about to nail him from the blind side.*

3) *Terry Hanratty is a very capable runner besides being able to pass.*

4) *Bob Gladieux* (20), *will be Notre Dame's chief running threat in* '68.

SUMMATION

Strength: A bevy of returning individual stars, including Terry Hanratty, Jim Seymour and George Kunz.

Weakness: Defense, where seven starters graduated. A new place-kicker must also be found and depth in the defensive ranks.

Outlook: Notre Dame is still Notre Dame. The Irish might slip once, and maybe even twice, but they're as good a contender for a national championship as anybody (10-0).

Wins over Oklahoma, Purdue, Iowa, Northwestern, Illinois, Michigan State, Navy, Pittsburgh, Georgia Tech and Southern Cal.

IRISH 1967 STATISTICS

RUSHING	TC	YDS	AVG	TD	LG
Graduates					
Bleier	77	357	4.4	5	39
Harshman	23	85	3.7	1	14
Haley	13	54	4.2	1	23
Returnees					
Zimmerman	113	591	4.4	8	47
Gladieux	84	384	4.6	5	28
Dushney	45	229	5.1	2	20
Hanratty	75	183	2.4	7	37
O'Brien	34	123	3.6	1	16
Criniti	24	90	3.8	0	16
Ziegler	11	36	3.3	1	11
Belden	10	30	3.0	0	13
Landolfi	1	8	8.0	1	8

PASSING	Att.	Comp.	Yds.	Int.	TD	Pct.	TD
Hanratty	206	110	1439	15	9	.534	48
O'Brien	41	16	220	2	1	.390	47
Belden	9	5	82	0	0	.556	24
Dushney	1	0	0	0	0	.000	—
Gladieux	1	0	0	0	0	.000	—

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
Returnees					
Seymour	37	515	13.9	4	48
Gladieux	23	297	12.9	2	38
Snow	9	157	17.4	1	27
Winegardner	9	127	14.1	0	17
Kunz	7	101	14.4	0	41
Zimmerman	6	102	17.0	1	39
Criniti	3	32	10.7	0	24
Dushney	3	32	10.7	0	13
Furlong	2	66	33.0	0	47
Lawson	2	11	5.5	0	8
Ziegler	1	13	13.0	0	13
Hanratty	1	−2	——	0	−2

SCORING	TD	PAT	FG	TP
Returnees				
Zimmerman	9			54
Gladieux	7			42
Hanratty	7			42
Seymour	4			24
Dushney	2			12
O'Brien	1	1 Rush		8
Landolfi	1			6
Quinn	1			6
Snow	1			6
Ziegler	1			6
Furlong	0	1 Pass		2

FOES SEE MORE OF JIM

They don't retire football jersey numbers at Notre Dame. There have been so many stars that have played in the shadows of the golden dome in the past that there wouldn't be any two digit numbers left to use.

Of all the great Notre Dame players who would have had a number packed away forever would be Jim Seymour, the splendid pass-catching end from Berkley, Michigan.

Seymour and teammate Terry Hanratty achieved national fame the first time they played a varsity game.

In front of a national television audience and a jam-packed crowd in Notre Dame's 59,000-seat stadium, the two combined for 13 pass completions, 276 yards and three touchdowns, in a 26-14 derailing of arch-rival Purdue.

The performance left the millions who viewed the game awe-struck and Irish fans wondered just what coach Ara Parseghian had been hiding in pre-season practice.

Afterward, and still today, Jim calls that Purdue game the greatest thrill he's ever had.

From that game on, Seymour and Hanratty became over-night heroes and were played up on magazine covers coast-to-coast.

The success and pressure didn't hinder their play one bit. Helped along by captain Jim Lynch and some of the other senior members of that great 1966 team, Jim and Terry led the Irish to a 9-0-1 season and a national championship.

Only against Michigan State, when Hanratty was hurt early, and Jim was held to no receptions, did the Irish miss out on a win.

The publicity and pressure had built up to such a tremendous pitch that at the start of last season, the two were marked men by Irish opponents.

Hanratty seemed to have his confidence shaken early in the year and fired 15 intercepted passes in the first five games. The consensus to the crux of the problem was that he was throwing the ball to Jim too much and into too much of a crowd.

But after the fifth game, he didn't throw another interception the rest of the way.

Jim meanwhile, was battling injuries. He wound up

playing at full capacity in less than seven games, but still wound up with 37 receptions for 515 yards and four touchdowns. And most of those receptions were made battling off two or three defenders.

Jim graduated from Royal Oak Shrine High School, where he obviously was a football star, but also a basketball forward and track hurdler as well.

His track work has paid handsome dividends for his football abilities. He can run the 100 yard dash in a bona fide 10.1 seconds and can leap two to three feet in the air consistently to grab passes.

Jim also improves the strength in his fingers by playing the piano (though he plays for relaxation). He has a great love for music.

He's a Rolling Stones, Roy Orbison and Barbra Streisand fan. Jim also enjoys spanish music.

Jim was pursuing Arts and Letters as his major, 'till the load of work gave him trouble. Then he switched to Communications and has found a great liking for it.

He has done broadcast work for the campus radio station. With Frank Gifford as an example, he'd like to pursue sports commentary some day.

Jim is also a highly-religious young man and is not all in favor of the moderness with the new masses in the Catholic faith today.

He likes the Gregorian chant to the hootenanny or jazz masses that are becoming more and more popular on college campuses.

His advice to kids?

"Don't get discouraged or down in the dumps," he says. "There are going to be a lot of failures before you achieve success. You've got to keep working at it. And you can't be afraid to reach higher for things than you think you can."

Notre Dame fans can thank assistant coach Paul Shoults for getting Jim to go to Notre Dame. He was headed for Michigan, but Shoults used a little Irish magic to lure him down to South Bend.

After graduation, Jim wants a shot with the pros.

Don Kosterman, general manager of the Houston Oilers labels Jim "The best pro prospect I've ever seen at any position."

Another pro scout echoed: "There has never been a kid at his position who has his size, his speed, his moves, his hands, and his attitude . . . I can't think of a pro club he couldn't star for right now. The only guy who remotely resembles him in the pros is Boyd Dowler of Green Bay; And I'd take Seymour."

Does Seymour have a weakness?

"Jim needs work on his downfield blocking," assistant coach George Sefcik says. "He also needs to refine his ball-carrying ability. Once he catches the pass, his job is only half done; then he's got to go someplace with it."

"I have trouble catching the low pass," Jim adds. "My face mask gets in the way. I prefer to have the ball eye-high or higher so I can make use of my height."

Jim rates Northwestern defensive halfback Phil Clark, who's now graduated, as the toughest defender he ever had to play against. He also feels the '66 Michigan State team was the best club he ever played against.

His professional idol is San Diego's Lance Alworth. He enjovs skiing and swimming in his spare time and he credits hs 24-year-old brother John as hs primary inspiration in sports.

No, Jim will never have his college uniform number retired. But in the wake of the '66 season Jim's high school coach Al Fracassa retired his old number 42.

And, if he gets his shot at the pros, maybe he'll delete another number from a team's ranks.

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1) *Jim had to get used to making most of last season's* 37 *catches with defenders all over him. He got used to it in the last game of the* '66 *season against Southern California, as shown here. Jim still caught* 11 *passes in that game, this one being for a touchdown, as the Irish romped to a* 51-0 *victory and clinched the national championship.*
2) *Jim ideally likes to receive passes at eye-height or higher. Here he gets one just that way against Southern Cal in the* '67 *game at South Bend. The Trojans did a reverse, winning* 24-7 *en route to their national championship.*

1968 SCHEDULE		1967 RESULTS (8-2)		
Sept. 21	Oklahoma	41	California	8
Sept. 28	Purdue	21	Purdue	28
Oct. 5	at Iowa	56	Iowa	6
Oct. 12	Northwestern	7	USC	24
Oct. 19	Illinois	47	Illinois	7
Oct. 26	at Michigan State	24	Michigan State	12
Nov. 2	at Navy	43	Navy	14
Nov. 9	Pittsburgh	38	Pittsburgh	0
Nov. 16	Georgia Tech	36	Georgia Tech	3
Nov. 30	at Southern Cal.	24	Miami (Fla.)	22

THE RARE HUMOR OF A COLLEGE FOOTBALL COACH IS BEST EXHIBITED IN DUFFY DAUGHERTY. THROUGH THE YEARS, DUFFY'S REMARKS HAVE BECOME LEGENDARY. SPORTSWRITERS, ALUMNI, PLAYERS AND FANS ALIKE HAVE THEIR FAVORITES.

MICHIGAN FOOTBALL PRESENTS THE BEST OF DUFFY'S WIT IN A COLLECTION OF

"DUFFYISMS":

Sherman Lewis," said Duffy, "is a great football player with just one weakness . . . . . he's a senior."

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Duffy to a group of avid alumni fans: "I've always been waiting for the year when we'd make a first down on every play and our opponents wouldn't make any. Well, friends, this isn't the year."

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In a game at Purdue one year, State's backs had a hard time finding the handle and fumbled three or four times in the first half.

As he and his team were leaving the field for the dressing room, says Duffy, the Michigan State drum major dropped his baton and a disgruntled fan roared: "Looks like Duffy is coaching the band now, too."

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Duffy's wife, Francie, did a book on favorite recipes of football coaches' wives. Asked whether he had read it, Duffy said: "No I haven't, I'm waiting for the movie version."

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"Tomorrow we're going to do something a little different," Duffy jested with newsmen before the Stanford game one season. "We're going to pull on our pants both legs at the same time."

Reminded of this statement after his team had been upset 16-13, Duffy said: "We did it. Only some of our boys stuck both feet down the same pant leg."

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Said notorious optimist Duffy to an equally gung-ho camp follower: "The trouble with you is that you get carried away by my enthusiasm."

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"Football is not a contact sport," said Duffy. "It's a collision sport. Dancing is a good example of a contact sport."

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A jammed safety valve in a dormitory steam boiler near the Michigan State football practice field resulted in a loud and persistent hiss of escaping steam.

Duffy listened intently for a bit and then commented to bystanders: "The alumni are warming up early this season, aren't they?"

Duffy on a new Big Ten aid to athletes policy:" The new Big Ten grant in aid is based on need, and boy, do we need it!"

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When asked about Michigan State's Rose Bowl hopes one season, Duffy said, "The team would like to make the trip but the coaches look at it as just a lot of extra work. But we are willing to make the sacrifice for the players' sakes."

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Duffy says he received a wire from an alumnius before a Homecoming Day football game against Illinois saying: "Remember, coach, we're all behind you, win or tie."

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Duffy at California race track: "This is the only place where windows clean people."

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Said Duffy after hearing of new extra point rule giving two points for successful passes or runs: "Confucius say, he who score plenty touchdown don't need worry about new extra point rule."

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When MSU's 1955 football captain Buck Nystrom correctly called the toss of the coin in Michigan State's opener against Indiana, Duffy commented: "That's where practice pays off. I had Nystram working on calling the toss overy day this fall." (In 1954 State had won but one of nine tosses.)

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"I wasn't worried about getting our boys 'up' for the game with Notre Dame," Duffy said after a big victory over the Irish. "They were so high last week that we had to shake the trees around the field to get them down for practice."

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Daugherty was asked by a newsman what he thought of Spartan quarterback Earl Morrall's play in the 1955 game against Illinois. All Morrall had done in this contest was complete five of eight passes for 136 yards and two touchdowns, catch a pass, intercept one, kick off, punt four times for a 48-yard average and star defensively.

Duffy thought a moment and then produced this candidate for "understatement of the year" honors: "You might say, if he doesn't get hurt, he'll make the traveling squad to Wisconsin next week."

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"I used to play the violin when I was younger, but one day I broke all the strings and I just didn't have the guts to play it after that," said Duffy in explaining his interest in music while introducing the Notre Dame glee club to an East Lansing audience.

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Said Duffy in Miami for the 1957 North-South game: "Don't worry about us (North) not having enough good backs. It's the line that counts and we've got one. Anybody can carry the ball. It only weighs 14 ounces. Of course, some can carry it farther and faster than others."

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When asked by Wyoming Senator O'Mahoney what was MSU's secret in beating Notre Dame, Duffy replied that the Irish that year had "only two Catholic All-Americans while we had four."

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"I have a couple of big freshman linemen preparing for a special job next fall," said Duffy. "At the end of each game, win or lose, they are to hoist me to their shoulders and carry me off the field. Then fans in the stands will say: 'Look, there goes old Duffy again. He might not be much of a coach, but his players sure love him.' "

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Asked if he had any superstitions, Duffy said: "Just one. It's bad luck to be behind at the end of the game."

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Woody Hayes of Ohio State once ordered 20 touring mid-western football writers off the Buckeye practice field.

Hayes reportedly told the newsmen: "I wanted to give the players hell for some of their mistakes and I never do it in front of outsiders. I don't believe in whipping them in the newspapers."

The same writers stopped at East Lansing the next day. When they reached the practice field they found Daugherty had ordered the gates locked.

After the group waited impatiently for five minutes, Daugherty stuck his head out. "I kept you guys out," he said, "because I wanted to praise my players for their good work, and I didn't want to do it in front of strangers."

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On talking about Biggie Munn's selection for the Football Hall of Fame: "You can credit me for getting Biggie into the Hall of Fame. After six years of my coaching they appreciate what a great coach he really was."

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"A boy came to my office just the other day," said Duffy. "I'm not above chatting with a football prospect and I feel I'm a pretty good judge of grid talent. When this youngster had to turn sideways to get through the door, I wasn't too busy to welcome him.

The interview went something like this, Duffy claimed:
Duffy—"Well, son, I'd say you were about 6-3 and 235."
Prospect—"Well, sir, that's pretty close. I'm 6-4 and 240."
Duffy—"And you played a pretty good tackle, I'll bet."
Prospect—"No sir, I was a halfback."
D—"A halfback? At 6-4 and 240? Did you have a good year?"
P—"Well, yes sir, I did. I passed and ran for 50 touchdowns. It was a state record. We didn't have to punt very often of course, but when we did I averaged 52 yards. I made 43 out of 44 extra point kicks, too. One was blocked."
D—"Are you pretty fast?"
P—"I would say so sir. I moved quite well in basketball and set a state scoring record. And I also ran on the track team."
D—"Is that a fact? How fast did you run the mile,"
P—"I was a sprinter, coach. I got down to 9.6, also a state record for the 100 yard dash, but then I only ran on the days of the meets. The rest of the time I played baseball. Actually, that's my best sport."
D—"Baseball, too? What position did you play?"
P—"I was an outfielder when I wasn't pitching. But my hitting dropped to .556 when I worked so much on the mound. I had three no-hitters and two one-hitters."
D—"Son, how were your studies? Did participating in four sports cause you to drop a little."
P—"Well, yes sir, that's right. I knew you'd ask me that. My senior year a cheerleader stepped in. She was valedictorian and I was salutatorian."
D—"Son, you have a fine record and we would be proud to have you at Michigan State. But I'm a little puzzled. Don't you have any faults at all?"
P—"I wasn't going to mention it, coach, but now that you ask I'll have to admit it. I do have one fault."
D—"What's that son?"
P—"Well, sir, I lie a little."

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Commenting about a letter he received in 1958 when the Spartans failed to win a single conference game, Duffy said:

"I didn't mind what the guy wrote me from Detroit, just telling me I was a bum and questioning my ability as a coach. But I objected to the swiftness with which the post office department delivered the letter. It got there in the usual time—with just the address 'Duffy the Dope' on it."

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1959 Duffyism: Iowa beat State 37-8. In the dressing room after the game Duffy was asked: "Did Iowa throw anything at you which you were not expecting?"

"Yeah, 37 points," was his quick reply.

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"In my business you have to have an understanding wife, and mine is very thoughful," said Duffy: "No matter how late I come home at night after a staff meeting she always has my slippers and robe laid out for me and sees that there is plenty of hot water. She knows I hate to do dishes in cold water."

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The Michigan State defense one year stopped both Notre Dame and Indiana inches short of touchdowns.

Duffy said: "I like those goal line stands of ours but I wish they'd make them up around the 50-yard line where I can see them better."

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Duffy to his squad at spring practice about a new blocking rule: "Now fellows, remember that this year you may block with only one arm and one head."

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Addressing a group of Michigan State alumni one evening, Duffy started to refer to the 1955 Spartans (record of nine wins, one loss) as "my team". He hurriedly corrected himself. "I forgot," he explained. "This team belongs to you. Last year's (record of three wins, six losses) was my team."

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"The week of the Wisconsin game I worked hard on Walt Kowalczyk to quit that kid stuff of shifting the ball from one arm to another and trying to straight-arm people," said Duffy. "That's for high school players, I told him. Hang on to the ball!

"So against Wisconsin Walt ran 72 yards for a touchdown and on the way shifted the ball three times and knocked loose three or four tacklers with the prettiest straight-arms I've ever seen. It just shows what great coaching can do for a kid."

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After watching members of his 1965 Big Ten championship football team score 30 of State's 50 points in winning the Big Ten indoor track title, Duffy said: "Maybe I should be elected track coach of the year."

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Minutes after State completed a perfect football season (10-0) in 1965, Duffy was asked by a newsman if it was his finest season.

"Well, I think you could say it's one of the best starts we've had in recent years," he replied.

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Duffy listened at a banquet to a standing ovation given Dr. John Wilson, former Spartan football star who became a Rhodes scholar. "I just want to say," said Duffy when called on for some remarks, "that I could have been a Rhodes scholar too, except for my grades."

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Loose ball-handling by a Michigan state sophomore halfback John Grogan, son of the chief of police in Athens, Ohio, brought this admonishment from Duffy: "Grogan, if you don't cover that football somebody'll steal it, even if you are the chief's son."

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Duffy was asked by a reporter at the start of a season: "Whom are you happiest to see returning this year?"

Without hesitation he replied: "Me."

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Duffy claims that he had to tell his barefoot Hawaiian place kicker, Dick Kenney, to keep his toenails trimmed.

"He was scratching up all the footballs," said Duffy.

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"I know it's a cliche to say we're going to play them one at a time," Duffy told the press one day, "but that's the way it has to be because the Big Ten doesn't permit us to play doubleheaders."

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Duffy lost first string center Walt Forman at the end of his junior year because his nearly straight A grades won him immediate admission to medical school.

"We've learned our lesson," commented Duffy. "We won't recruit anyone that smart again."

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Asked why giant middle guard Harold Lucas had turned his back on a big contract (repartedly worth about $300,000) from the pro football St. Louis Cardinals, Duffy answered:

"He'll spend the rest of his life trying to explain why; probably as long as I'll be trying to explain how we lost the 1966 Rose Bowl."

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Said Duffy as he knocked over a cup of coffee on a table full of play diagrams during a staff meeting: "Well, we've got to learn to play on a wet field anyway."

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Following a Michigan State football victory, a youngster snatched a baseball cap from Duffy's head and disappeared into the crowd.

Unpurturbed, Duffy commented: "The way that kid moved we'll be recruiting him in a few years."

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Duffy was asked about a new pool table he had installed in the game room of his home.

"It's mainly for my kids," said the ex-coal miner from tiny Barnesboro, Pa. "I want them to have the same start in life that I had."

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Duffy was telling a banquet audience about Bubba Smith, Michigan State's giant (6-7, 283-pound) defensive end.

"Would you believe that he once was an 89-pound weakling," Duffy inquired. "He was, when he was three years old."

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Duffy, who once sang in college musicals at Syracuse, was asked if he was a romantic singer. "No, a rheumatic singer," he replied.

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The newsmen were waiting for Duffy as he stepped from the shower after his team had defeated Notre Dame 12-3 in 1965. Wearing only a smile, he commented: "This is the best showing I've made this season."

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Duffy says he was trying to emphasize the vital importance of good blocking fundamentals when he asked a burly lineman at practice:

"Where are more football games lost than anywhere else?"

The lineman replied says Duffy: "Right here at Michigan State, coach."

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"Imagine that," Duffy mused when told of the early sell-out of a Michigan-Michigan State game at 101,001 people. "Why, Lady Godiva wouldn't pull half that crowd. People just aren't interested in looking at white horses."

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FOLLOW THE EXCITING LIONS IN 1968

The home schedule this year brings to Lionland the famed Gale Sayers of the Chicago Bears; quarterback Bart Starr, Donnie Anderson, Jim Grabowski, and the rest of the Green Bay Packers (two-time Super Bowl champions); the imcomparable Johnny Unitas of the Baltimore Colts; Fullback Jim Taylor and the New Orleans Saints; new head coach Dick Nolan and the San Francisco 49ers, with a great array of running backs; the exciting Minnesota Vikings with Clinton Jones, Alan Page, and quarterback Gary Cuozzo; and the Philadelphia Eagles with passer Norm Snead.

S15	at Dallas	N3	at Los Angeles
S22	CHICAGO	N10	BALTIMORE
S29	at Green Bay	N17	at Minnesota
O6	MINNESOTA	N24	NEW ORLEANS
O13	at Chicago	N28	PHILADELPHIA
O20	GREEN BAY	D8	at Atlanta
O 27	SAN FRANCISCO	D15	at Washington

Tickets are available at the Lions ticket office, 1401 Michigan Avenue, Detroit. Upper Deck $6. Coaches Corner $5. Lower Deck $5. Unreserved bleachers $3. Three thousand unreserved bleacher seats go on sale at 11 a.m. before each Sunday home game at Tiger Stadium.

BATTLE CREEK CENTRAL... STATE'S PREP POWER

Mud, mud and more mud, and the rain kept coming down. Coach Jack Finn paced back and forth in front of the Battle Creek bench. He could see the seconds diminishing as were his hopes for another perfect season.

Battle Creek Central went into this 1967 game against Kalamazoo Central with its past 27 games neatly tucked away in the victory category. The Bearcats had only managed to score six points on the Kalamazoo gridiron sea of mud. But to make things worse, Kalamazoo led 7-6.

"Five, four, three . . ." and then it was all over. With only one more game on the agenda, Battle Creek would end the season with an 8-1 record.

Battle Creek Central has reigned as one of Michigan football's major high school powers since 1962. The Bearcats have amassed 48 wins over the last half dozen years while losing only six.

The next to last game of Battle Creek's 1967 season, which began this chapter, is quite similar to B. C.'s first football season back in 1893.

Both in '93 and in '67, Kalamazoo was the second to last game of the year, and oddly enough, Kalamazoo kept Battle Creek from a perfect season both times.

The "Crickets," as Battle Creek was known in the early years, was started by a senior named Bill Robinson (who has been called "the father of Battle Creek football"). He set up a six game schedule, with the first game set for Oct. 1, 1893. The '93 team, although not a high scoring team, managed to hold all of its opponents scoreless.

The low-scoring of this first B. C. team was more than made up for by later clubs, who attained scores like 114-0 over Charlotte in 1921.

One of the most protested games in Central's history occurred in 1911. The Bearcats were going after the state title with their best team in years. The schedule called for B. C. to travel a few miles to meet a fairly strong Otsego team.

B. C. played with masterful defensive skill, not allowing its host to chalk up a single point. The Bearcats, however, were also held scoreless. Many Battle Creek fans felt that Central had won the game because of several thought-to-be-legal touchdowns that were called back. The referee of this particular game just happened to be the principal of Otsego High School. The game ended in a 0-0 tie.

1930 marked Central's worst season in 30 years—0-8-0. But Battle Creek's over-all record, up to and including 1930, was 158 wins, 89 losses and 21 ties.

Through the war years and the early fifties, no winning or losing streaks predominated. Battle Creek had average years.

Then in 1958, Jack Finn became head coach. Finn has been the turning point in the Bearcats' football history. Since Finn has been in charge, Central has won 67, lost 21 and tied two.

Finn attributed much of Central's football success to the fact that his players realize football is a sport where training is needed the year around.

Battle Creek Central's facilities are more than adequate for any prep team. Along with their first class stadium that was built several years ago, the Bearcat gridders also have a fine weight-training room, plus a large, well-kept practice field.

When you add together some of the State's best football talent year after year, outstanding facilities, a top-notch coach, quite a bit of work, and twice as much desire, you're bound to come up with a winner like Battle Creek Central.

Michael Foltz

Mid-American Looks Cut And Dried... Maybe

BY HAL BATEMAN

This fall's Mid-American Conference football race looks cut and dried. Ohio, which tied for the title last season, is a heavy favorite to win the crown with the rest of the teams battling for second place.

That's the way it appears—but don't bet on it. Although the Bobcats of Ohio appear to have a big advantage over the rest of the league in returning personnel, the race could turn into one of the tightest in the last several years.

There are simply too many unknown factors to draw a clear picture of the upcoming race. Three teams, Bowling Green, Kent State and Marshall, have new coaches and new systems, while several of the contending teams such as defending co-champion Toledo, Miami and Western Michigan have big question marks in personnel. If any of the three solve their problems, they could give Ohio quite a run for the title.

The new coaches in the league this season are Don Nehlen at Bowling Green, Dave Puddington at Kent State, and Perry Moss at Marshall. Nehlen was promoted from the assistant ranks while Puddington was at Washington of St. Louis last season and Moss with Orlando in the Continental Football League.

Ohio, which earned a share of the league title last season when it was awarded a forfeit victory over Kent State, hopes to win the crown outright this season.

The Bobcats of coach Bill Hess have some top-flight personnel returning in tackle Ken Carmon, quarterback Cleve Bryant, tailback Dick Conley and split end Todd Snyder.

Graduation losses were light and the Bobcats also have a favorable schedule since they don't have to meet any of the contenders on consecutive week ends.

Should Ohio encounter a rough time, then Miami, Toledo or Western Michigan could step into the title.

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Dick Conley (42), *of Ohio, had a great season in* 1967, *but here is one play where he found the traffic heavy. Blocking the Bobcat's path is Western Michigan defensive end Jerry Collins* (87), *who came up with plays like this repeatedly during the season to earn a first-team berth on the Mid-American Conference squad. Trying to block out Collins is Dave LeVeck* (30), *of the Bobcats, while tackle Larry Stump* (57) *moves up to give Collins some assistance. Trailing on the play is the Bronco's Tom Nuveman* (83), *also a defensive end. Despite Collins' play, Ohio still scored a* 20-10 *victory.*

Miami, usually a league contender, is again rated tough and could be the surprise team of the league. Two all-conference selections return, tight end Gary Arthur and linebacker Bob Babich, but if coach Bo Schembechler can fill holes in the offensive line and defensive backfield, his team could take it all.

Toledo was the hottest team in the conference last season, wining its last nine games and winding up with a 9-1 record.

Many of the players from that great team are gone, including quarterback John Schneider, but the Rockets had a good spring and coach Frank Lauterbur is hopeful his team can maintain its momentum.

The big problem is at quarterback, but the Rockets should have another high-powered offense with all-leaguer Roland Moss returning. Offensively the Rockets seem to be in good shape, but there are enough holes on defense to drop the Rockets into the contender's category.

The rest of the league claims that Western Michigan, under coach Bill Doolittle, is the luckiest team in the league. Luck or not, Doolittle has had the Broncos either on top or near the top of the league standings for the last three seasons.

They could be there again if the Broncos find a quarterback and repair holes in the defensive secondary.

Returning are three all-league players, center Gene Hamlin, defensive end Jerry Collins, and defensive halfback Dave Hudson. That alone could make Western a contender, but the Broncos also have back most of the offensive and defensive lines and all of the leading rushers from last season.

If Doolittle finds a quarterback, two defensive backs and a good pass-catching end, his Broncos will again be a team to watch.

Bowling Green had a disappointing season last year, but is hoping its fortunes improve under Nehlen. The Falcons will need a better offense but if they can remain as tough defensively, they could again climb into a contender's position.

Kent State is another team that looks stronger defensively than offensively. If Puddington can get his shooting I offense clicking early in the season, the Golden Flashes also could be a factor.

Marshall, winless last season, again faces a tough task, namely because of little depth. The Thundering Herd will improve, but not enough to move out of the league basement.

Here is a pre-season prediction of the league outcome:

1. Miami
2. Western Michigan
3. Ohio
4. Toledo
5. Bowling Green
6. Kent State
7. Marshall

One of the biggest offensive weapons for Western Michigan for three seasons was kicker Dale Livingston, shown here booting an extra point against Miami. Livingston, who was discovered in an intramural kicking competition, won ten games for the Broncos in three seasons. He handled all place-kicking, punting and kick-offs and set or tied 17 conference and school records in his career.

End Todd Snyder of Ohio caught 33 passes last season, but here is one that went astray in the Bobcats' game with William & Mary. Bending the split end like a pretzel are defenders Eddie Herring (20) and Jim Barten (26). William & Mary applied similar pressure all afternoon and won a 25-22 cliff-hanger.

ABOUT THE MAC SECTION AUTHOR

Entering his second year as sports information director at Western Michigan University is Hal Bateman, who has covered football at every level from junior high school to the pros.

Before moving to Kalamazoo in July, 1967, Bateman served as a sports writer for the Lansing State Journal for four years, covering the Greater Lansing Class A high school beat and the University of Michigan in football.

A 1957 graduate of Michigan State University, he worked for the Chicago Bureau of United Press International, the Chicago Tribune and served four years as managing editor of Track & Field News in Los Altos, California, before returning to Michigan in 1963.

LUCK OR NOT, BRONCOS COULD KICK UP A STORM IN '68

If Bill Doolittle had his way, Western Michigan would play every one of its football games at home.

Doolittle, entering his fifth season as the Broncos' head coach, has good reason for liking the confines of Waldo Stadium in Kalamazoo. In recent years, his Broncos have been practically unbeatable at home, posting a 9-0 record in the last two seasons, while going 3-7 on the road.

Since the Broncos play most of their key Mid-American Conference games at home this season, that's reason enough to list Western among the league contenders.

Toledo and Ohio, which tied for the league title last season and defeated Western Michigan, both have to play at Waldo Stadium as does Bowling Green, another league contender.

No one has been able to explain why the Broncos have such tremendous success at home, but there is no doubt the crowds are a big factor.

Although the stadium seats only 17,500, Western drew above capacity crowds in three of its four home games last season, reaching a peak of 22,806 against Kent State.

Then too, there is the Doolittle magic. The former Ohio State quarterback wears a cowboy hat during all home games and it has become a symbol the Bronco students have rallied around, reaching the point where a Doolittle appearance on the field is enough to draw a cheer from the fans.

At home during the last several seasons, the Broncos have pulled supposedly lost games into the win column, prompting opposing coaches to call Doolittle "lucky."

That "luck" has made the Broncos a league contender for the last three years and Doolittle feels his team will again be among the league elite.

"I think we can have another winning season and we should be among the league contenders," Doolittle said, whose Broncos were 5-4 last season and tied for third in the conference with a 4-2 record.

"Quarterback, defensive backs and linebackers are the biggest problems," the Bronco coach added. "We've got the personnel, but it's a matter of development. We should be able to move the football with all of our top ground gainers returning. We were not strong on defense last year and it could again be a problem. We experimented last spring, but we won't know anything definite about the results until the fall."

Last season the Broncos nabbed four first-team selections on the all-league team, most in the school's history. Three of them return, center Gene Hamlin of Detroit (Redford Union), defensive end Jerry Collins of Muskegon and defensive halfback Dave Hudson of Battle Creek (Springfield).

Hamlin, a 6-2, 248-pound All-America candidate, is equally tough at either center or offensive tackle and has started at both positions. He's considered a fine technician and his physical strength adds a mighty weapon to the offensive line.

Collins, a 6-foot, 216-pounder, also possesses good strength and his presence on the Broncos' defensive line has made the end run a tough play for Western foes to execute. Whether it's rushing the passer or knocking down passes, Collins has usually been too much for opponents to cope with.

Hudson, a rangy 6-2, 195-pounder, played the monster position last season and had the knack of coming up with the big play. He intercepted six passes and was the second leading tackler on the team, averaging 12 a game.

Those three all-leaguers are again expected to lead the way, but there are enough other players returning to make Western a contender.

Of the 26 returning lettermen, 17 started at one time or another during the season, including nine on defense. Most of the starters on the offensive and defensive lines return and practically the whole offensive backfield, except quarterback.

Starters returning on the defensive line include Collins and junior Todd McCall of Warren at the ends, Mike Siwek of South Bend, Ind., and Larry Stump of Brooklyn at the tackles, and Don Lewis of Benton Harbor at middle guard.

The only starters returning in the defensive secondary are Dave Smith of Grand Rapids at linebacker, Hudson and halfback Ed Snyder of Ypsilanti.

Starters returning in the offensive line include Jim Rutledge of Midland and Dennis Evans of Chesterton, Ind., at tackles, Keith Volk of Bay City at guard, and Hamlin, Roger Shively of Warren, Ohio, and Al Bush of Lansing, all at center.

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Like my son John, tailback Jack Foster of Western Michigan finds himself with only one shoe on during action at Miami last season. However, the handicap didn't stop Foster from making a gain as defensive tackle Ken Root (78) *moves up on the play. The Broncos won* 24-14 *in their season opener.*

Larry Stump

John Nowak

Don Lewis

Jim Rutledge

Offensive backs returning include Jack Foster of New Rochelle, N.Y., at a halfback and Tim Majerle of Cadillac at fullback.

Foster, a 6-1, 205-pound senior, led the Broncos in rushing last season with 497 yards and a 3.9 average, while Majerle, a second team all-league selection for two straight years, was second with 409 yards and a 4.0 average. Another halfback, Ken Woodside of Wayne, also is back and gained 339 yards for a 5.2 average in 1967.

Among the problems are the loss of all the experienced quarterbacks and offensive ends and serious manpower problems at linebacker and defensive halfback.

With Jim Boreland and Ron Seifert on the teams, quarterbacking was a strength for three seasons. Both were starters during their careers and they gave the Broncos a tough combination. Both graduated, however, and this year Doolittle enters the season without an experienced quarterback.

Junior Dennis Noe of Mt. Morris saw limited action last season but didn't letter. He's one of the top candidates for the vacated job, along with sophomore Mark Bordeaux of Saginaw, who was number one during spring drills.

Boreland was one of the best passers in the league last season, but Bordeaux is equally adept at throwing. A 5-10, 190-pounder, Bordeaux sat out last season after suffering an early-season leg injury.

He looked good in spring drills however, and showed that he can run or pass effectively. He's also considered a good field leader, as is Noe, a transfer from the University of Iowa.

Doolittle probably will come up with a good quarterback in either Bordeaux or Noe, but the offensive end problem may not be so easy to solve.

Marty Barski caught 44 passes at split end last season, but he's graduated. Also gone is last year's starting tight end, John Nowak of Portland, who has been shifted to linebacker.

Sophomores hold the key to the positions and it will be a problem Doolittle probably won't solve until fall drills start in August.

Smith is the only returning linebacker with experience, but Nowak showed promise there as a freshman two years ago. Senior Mike Rowe of Detroit lettered there last season and could grab a starting berth, but the rest of the candidates are still up in the air.

Hudson makes any defensive backfield tough and Snyder came up with some good plays last season. To add depth to the secondary, Doolittle shifted senior Sam Antonazzo of Livonia, a wingback last year, to a safety position. Antonazzo is a 200-pounder with good hands and speed, important prerequisites at the safety position.

Two other offensive backs from last season, quarterback Gene Rademacher of St. Johns and fullback Gershwin Drain of Detroit, also have been shifted to defense.

Kicking was a strong point for Western as long as Dale Livingston was around, but he too has graduated and Doolittle isn't likely to find a replacement, at least in one man. Livingston, an all-league choice for two years, handled the punting, kick-offs and place-kicking and ranked among the nation's best in all three categories.

There is no replacement of that caliber around, but the Broncos' kicking may still be adequate, headed by junior John Mowatt of Ionia, whose strong point has been punting.

Injuries to several key personnel plagued spring drills, but the injuries didn't damper Doolittle's enthusiasm. Usually one of the nation's most optimistic coaches, Doolittle is again looking on the bright side.

He's predicted winners the last three seasons and has been right. If his forecast is again correct, he will be the first Bronco football coach in 20 years to have four straight winning seasons.

1967 RESULTS (5-4-0)

24	Miami	14
8	Arkansas State	21
19	Brigham Young	44
10	Bowling Green	6
16	Kent State	7
9	Toledo	35
42	Marshall	10
10	Ohio	20
18	Xavier	7

Dennis Evans

Sam Antonazzo

Ken Woodside

Rich Ward

DAVE HUDSON: UNLIKELY BRONCO STAR

Dave Hudson has traveled a long road to become a football star at Western Michigan.

The All-Mid-American Conference defensive halfback was just another football player when he enrolled at Western, but the combination of determination and good fortune have made him into one of the finest defensive backs in the Midwest.

"I never thought I'd play college football," said Hudson, a 6-2, 195-pound senior who ranked among the nation's top pass interceptors last season. "I came to Western and gave it a try in my freshman year. I got some lucky breaks and I've been in there ever since."

Western Michigan coaches looked over Hudson when he was attending Springfield High School near Battle Creek. As a senior, Hudson was named to the all-league team at both offensive and defensive end. However, any college scout would have had reservations about him after looking at his size. Hudson was 6-2, but he was only 165 pounds.

He went to Western Michigan and literally started growing up, adding 30 pounds to his frame and developing a reputation as one of the toughest tacklers in the conference.

"I'd rather hit people than cover passes," said Hudson, who really isn't that mean in everyday life. "I wish I was a little bigger so I could hurt people more."

When Hudson reported for freshman football practice at Western, he was far down the totem pole as the number four split end on offense, a designation that would have discouraged anyone.

"I showed up at practice one day and no longer saw my name among the split ends," Hudson recalled. "I figured that was the end, but then I looked at the bottom of the page and saw I had been shifted to the defensive backfield."

It was a shrewd move by the Bronco coaching staff and Hudson has been a starter ever since.

As a sophomore, Hudson intercepted two passes, returning one 28 yards for a touchdown in the 23-20 victory over Kent State. He also blocked a field goal attempt in the 20-13 victory over Ohio that clinched the Mid-American Conference title that season. In addition, he blocked an extra point that spelled the difference in the 14-13 win over Toledo.

Last year, Hudson picked off six passes, returning one for a touchdown in the 24-14 triumph over Miami. He also had key thefts that set up touchdowns in the victories over Kent State and Xavier. He wound up as the team's second leading tackler with 109, an impressive total for a defensive back.

As a monster or rover back last season, Hudson had latitude as to where he could go, but this year he'll find himself more restricted as a corner back.

"I'll miss the monster position, but I'll get used to the corner back. My goal this season is to repeat on the all-conference team. I'd like to play pro football, but I don't have great speed and I'm a little too small."

"He's a great competitor," said Doolittle about his stellar defensive ace. "He has a great ability to come up with the big play. As a coach you feel good when Dave is in there."

Hudson is one of the Broncos' leaders and it's not hard to see why.

"I really get wrapped up in games," said Hudson. "I just can't sit still. I want to be in on every play."

As a defensive player last season it seemed like he was in on every play. It probably will be the same way this fall.

"There are just nine games left in my college career," the lanky Bronco said. "I want to make every one count."

If he does, Western could be headed for another banner season.

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Miami quarterback Kent Thompson finds his route blocked by Western Michigan football players in the Broncos' 24-14 *victory over the Redskins last season. Broncos on defense include end Glenn Cherup* (82), *middle guard Don Lewis* (63), *end Tom Nuveman* (83) *and halfback Rich Ward* (28).

HEAD COACH BILL DOOLITTLE

Chief architect and inspiration behind Western Michigan's climb back to football respectability is Bill Doolittle, who will be entering his fifth season in the Broncos' saddle this fall.

After a 3-6 record in his first season as head coach in 1964, Doolittle has had three straight winners—6-2-1 in 1965, 7-3-0 and a share of the Mid-American Conference title in 1966, and 5-4 last season.

Winning, however, has always been a part of Doolittle, whether in high school or college ranks.

A native of Mansfield, Ohio, Doolittle was an all-state quarterback in high school, guiding Mansfield to an undefeated season in 1941. He then enrolled at Ohio State, but a short time later he wound up in the Marines, serving 27 months in the Pacific, earning a Bronze Star medal.

After the war, he returned to Ohio State and played three seasons there before becoming head coach at Grandview High School in Columbus in 1948. He posted a 6-3 record in his first year of coaching, then moved to Providence, R.I., where he served two years as an assistant at Brown University.

Following a short spell as an assistant at Lincoln High School in Canton, Ohio, he came to Michigan, coaching Owosso to a 9-8-1 record in the 1952 and 1953 seasons. He moved to Flint where he produced outstanding teams at Central High School, winning the mythical state Class A title in 1958 with an 8-0-1 record and compiling a 40-12-2 mark before returning to Mansfield as head coach in 1960 and 1961.

He re-entered the collegiate coaching ranks as an assistant to former high school teammate Paul Dietzel at West Point in 1962, but became the Broncos' head coach in 1964.

Doolittle's assistants will remain the same this fall, with Ed Ferkany handling offensive backs, Bob Wyman offensive linemen, Fred Stevens ends, Dick Raklovits defensive backfield, Bill Rowekamp defensive line and John Miller, head freshman coach.

Doolittle and his wife, Lenore, are the parents of a daughter, Karen, and a son, Stephen.

WMU 1967 STATISTICS

RUSHING	TC	NET	AVG.
FOSTER, tb	129	497	3.9
MAJERLE, fb	103	409	4.0
WOODSIDE, tb	65	339	5.2
Livingston, k	3	46	15.3
SCHNEIDER, fb	10	38	3.8
Devine, wb	5	20	4.0
ELLISON, tb	3	13	4.3
ANTONAZZO, wb	1	7	7.0
Barski, se	1	−1	—
Seifert, qb	14	−21	—
Boreland, qb	51	−56	—

RECEIVING	PR	YDS.	AVG.	TD
Barski, se	44	653	14.8	3
ANTONAZZO, wb	8	158	19.8	3
FOSTER, tb	8	93	11.6	0
Devine, wb	7	90	12.9	0
CLARK, se	4	72	18.0	1
WYSOCKI, te	4	64	16.0	0
NOWAK, te	4	41	10.3	0
WOODSIDE, tb	4	31	7.8	0
MAJERLE, fb	3	44	14.7	1
SCHNEIDER, fb	2	43	21.5	0
Palleschi, te	2	7	3.5	0
SHOEMAKE, wb	1	19	19.0	0
Boreland, qb	1	2	2.0	0
Seifert, qb	1	−2	——	0

PASSING	PA	PC	PI	YDS.	PCT.	TD
Boreland, qb	150	74	15	1113	.493	7
Seifert, qb	47	19	3	202	.404	1
NOE, qb	1	0	0	0	.000	0
WOODSIDE, tb	1	0	0	0	.000	0

SCORING	TD	CK	CP	CR	FG	TP
Livingston, k	0	15-14	0	0	14-8	38
FOSTER, tb	4	0-0	1	0	0-0	26
MAJERLE, fb	4	0-0	0	0	0-0	24
ANTONAZZO, wb	3	0-0	0	0	0-0	18
Barski, se	3	0-0	0	0	0-0	18
WOODSIDE, tb	1	0-0	1	0	0-0	8
CLARK, se	1	0-0	0	0	0-0	6
HUDSON, cb	1	0-0	0	0	0-0	6
SCHNEIDER, fb	1	0-0	0	0	0-0	6
Safeties (3)						6

Garland Wilson, Kent

Joe Pledger, Kent

FLASHES REMAIN THREAT

Kent State is always one of the most feared teams in the Mid-American Conference.

Year in and year out Kent usually has some of the finest material in the league, but misfortune and injuries have usually left the team in the league's second division.

An outsider would have a hard time believing some of the misfortunes that have plagued the Flashes. Last year for instance, Kent defeated Ohio, 21-14, but had to forfeit the game later in the season because of an ineligible player. The forfeit turned out to be a key one in the conference, since it helped give Ohio a share of the league title and dropped Kent one notch in the final standings.

Leo Strang was the coach during the Flashes' period of hardship, but he resigned at the end of the season and Dave Puddington, formerly of Washington of St. Louis, took over.

Puddington is on the proverbial hot seat, since he inherits enough talent to possibly make the Flashes a contender. Puddington also imported a whole new coaching staff so opponents this fall could be seeing a whole new Kent team.

There are, of course, problems and one of the biggest according to the coach is "getting the squad to assimilate a new system, terminology and, perhaps, playing new positions."

There are 25 lettermen returning, including defensive tackle Jim Corrigall, a first team all-conference selection.

Also back is fullback Garland Wilson, a 5-10, 174-pound junior, who was the team's second leading ground gainer with 649 yards.

Quarterback is a problem, but that doesn't seem to be an unusual one at Mid-American Conference schools this fall. The only tested returnee is junior Steve Trustdorf, but he threw only 10 passes last season and was used mostly as the team's punter.

The defense should be the strongest part of Kent's outlook. Thirteen lettermen return and all were starters at one time or another during the season.

The leading returnee is junior Nick Zuj (pronounced zoo'-ee), a 6-4, 232-pounder who could be one of the finest linebackers in the conference this year. Zuj however, missed part of last season with a severe knee injury and the ailment also kept him out of spring drills. Zuj must return to top form if the Flashes defense is to be effective.

At this time it looks like the defense will have to carry the team until Puddington's Shooting I offense, a complex system with a lot of movement, takes effect.

While Puddington inherits some good talent, the losses from last season can't be overlooked.

Among those gone are fullback Don Fitzgerald, quarterback Ron Swartz, wingback Billy Blunt and end Wil Perry.

Fitzgerald, two-time all-league selection, was one of the finest rushing fullbacks in the nation while Swartz held most of Kent's passing records. Blunt and Perry did most of the pass catching, so the Flashes will have to rebuild offensively, both in the air and on the ground.

Also gone are all-league defensive end Don Abbott and all-conference linebacker Bill Landis.

At best there are too many ifs in the picture. However, if Puddington's offense comes around quickly and if the defense is as tough as expected, then opponents will once again have reason to consider the Flashes one of the league's most dangerous teams.

BOBCATS SEEK CLEAR TITLE

Ohio is out to prove this season that its share of the conference title last year was no fluke.

The Bobcats were quite fortunate to earn even a tie after seemingly being knocked out of the race in midseason. However, Ohio received new life when Kent State had to forfeit its 21-14 victory, because of an ineligible player. That gave Ohio new life and the Green and White took advantage of it to tie Toledo for the crown.

Even the most ardent Ohio fan would have to admit Dame Fortune was on the Bobcats' side last season. This year, however, Ohio wants to win it without any flukes.

Of the seven teams in the conference, Ohio has the most men returning with few holes to fill. Among the 24 lettermen are 16 starters from last season, including five who were named to the all-conference team.

"I'm optimistic about 1968," said coach Bill Hess, dean of conference coaches with ten years service and league titles in 1960, 1963, and 1967. "We feel with the experienced personnel returning we have every reason to expect we will have a fine season."

Will it be better than last year when the Bobcats posted a 6-4 mark and tied for conference honors?

Everything points in that direction, both on offense and defense.

Top players should be offensive tackle Ken Carmon, quarterback Cleve Bryant, tailback Dick Conley, offensive tackle Frank Peters, and split end Todd Snyder.

Every team hoping for a title needs a good quarterback and the Bobcats feel they have one in Bryant, a 5-11, 170-pound junior from Canton, Ohio, who was named to the all-league second team in 1967.

Bryant is quick and can hurt opponents either passing or on the option play. Last season he gained 1,581 yards and figured in 15 of the Bobcats' 26 touchdowns. Most of his yardage came by the passing route. He completed 68, for 1,157 yards and eight touchdowns.

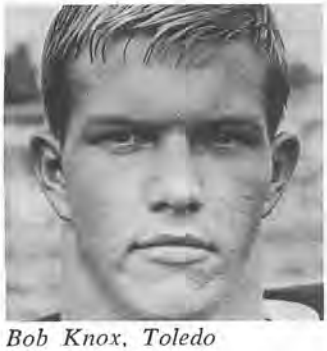
Conley, a first team selection on the all-league unit last season, was the Bobcats' top rusher, picking up 841 yards on 226 carries for a 3.7 average. He scored 58 points to supply the spark in Ohio's power I attack. A 5-10, 185-pound junior from New Concord, Ohio, Conley also led the team in kick-off returns.

Bryant's favorite receiver again this fall probably will be Snyder, a 6-2, 185-pound junior, who is the son of the Ohio basketball coach. Last season, Snyder earned second team honors in the league by catching 33 passes for 629 yards and four touchdowns.

The Bobcats had a good rushing attack last season and part of the credit can go to Carmon, a 6-3, 230-pound senior who twice has been named to the all-conference first team.

Frank Peters, Ohio

Dick Conley of Ohio shows the form that helped him make the All-Mid-American Conference team last season, by plunging off right tackle for a touchdown against Bowling Green. Bowling Green players unable to stop Conley are Dennis Zolciak (66), *Jerry Machovina* (37), *Dave Seiter* (88) *and Roger Schmidt* (65). *Such play helped the Bobcats clinch a a tie for the conference title with a* 31-7 *victory.*



Bob Knox, Toledo

Bob Pfefferle, Toledo

ROCKETS EYE REPEAT

Even an incurable optimist would have to admit that Toledo will have a tough time retaining its share of the conference football title.

Just about everything went the Rockets' way last season. They rebounded from a 20-14 opening loss to Ohio to win nine straight and tie Ohio for the title.

It was a great year for coach Frank Lauterbur and his Rockets, one that will go down as the greatest in the school's football history. Toledo had ten players earn first-team berths on the all-conference team while Lauterbur was named league coach of the year. Quarterback John Schneider was selected as the league's top back and middle guard Tom Beutler was picked lineman of the year.

Schneider and Beutler have graduated, but there is enough other talent returning to again make the Rockets a factor in the conference race.

"While there is some rebuilding to do, our team next year should have enough ingredients remaining from our championship team that if we can fill a couple of key spots satisfactorily, our outlook could be bright," Lauterbur said.

Among the returnees are 30 lettermen, including two all-league first team selections.

Offensively, Toledo returns its two leading ground gainers in Roland Moss (833 yards for a 3.9 average and 16 touchdowns) and Bob Pfefferle (658 yards, 5.2 average). Moss was picked to the all-league team and stands a good chance to repeat.

Three of the top four pass receivers also return, as do three of the blockers up front. Offensively the Rockets could be almost as potent as they were last season when they rolled up 266 points and 3,682 yards, but there is a mighty big if.

It, of course, centers around quarterback, where the Rockets have to replace Schneider. It's no easy task since he accounted for two-thirds of Toledo's offense last season. He gained 1,650 yards passing and ran for another 362 and not many teams replace players of that caliber, at least in one season.

Junior Steve Jones, Schneider's relief man last season, will step into the quarterback spot this season, but he didn't play enough to letter. If he doesn't make it then the job may be turned over to Dave Penn, a starting defensive back last season.

The loss of Beutler leaves the Rockets vulnerable at middle guard, while the linebacker and corner back positions also will need bolstering.

However, both starting defensive ends from last season, all-league Mel Tucker and Ed Davis return, as do starting linebacker Dick Seymour and starting safety Curtis Johnson, an all-league candidate this season.

The Rockets had a well-rounded attack last season and they could hurt an opponent on either the ground or in the air. This year the Rockets may be grounded, but their rushing attack could be one of the best around.

Moss, a 6-3, 215-pound senior, is an explosive runner who was second in the nation in scoring last season with 96 points. He carried 213 times in 1967, and if the Rockets are to get launched he'll probably have to carry that much or more this season.

Pfefferle, a 6-2, 210-pound fullback, gives Toledo a potent one-two punch in rushing. He was rarely stopped behind the line of scrimmage on his 127 carries.

Last season was the year the Rockets went into orbit. Unless a capable quarterback is found, Toledo could return to earth in a hurry this season.

Split end Todd Snyder of Ohio faces a rough landing after catching a pass against William & Mary last season. Steve Howard applies the tackle as William & Mary scored a 25-22 *victory and ruined the Bobcats' Homecoming. Snyder, an all-league candidate this season, caught seven passes for* 89 *yards.*

P. J. Nyitray, Bowling Green

Dennis Zolciak, Bowling Green

FALCONS IN REBOUND BID

Bowling Green was one of the most frustrated winners in college football last season.

The Falcons posted a 6-4 record, generally good enough to keep the alumni happy, but 1967 went down as a disappointing season.

The Falcons were perfect against non-league competition, compiling a 4-0 record, but had difficulties in the league, winding up 2-4 and taking fifth place.

It turned out to be the worst season in 13 years for Bowling Green, usually one of the Mid-American Conference powers.

Lack of offense was one of the big problems for the Falcons, who scored more than two touchdowns in a game only twice during the year. Bowling Green lost games by such scores as 10-6 and 9-7 and won others by such margins as 7-6, 7-0 and 9-7.

Adding to the frustration was the surprise resignation at the end of the season of head coach Bob Gibson, who quit although never having a losing season.

Don Nehlen, the Falcons' defensive coordinator, was named to the head post and will be trying to get the Falcons back among the conference elite.

Nehlen inherits one of the same problems that plagued Gibson, lack of a consistent offensive line. That was one of Nehlen's biggest problems during spring drills, but the solution won't be known until this fall.

Defense carried BG in 1967, but that area also will be faced with problems. Lack of depth both in the line and in the backfield is the main problem, and with major problems both on offense and defense, Nehlen could be in for a rough debut.

On the brighter side, the Falcons have the personnel in the backfield who can move the football.

Among those returning is P. J. Nyitray, a 6-0, 180-pound senior who could turn into one of the best quarterbacks in the league. Last season Nyitray completed 73 of 164 passes for 846 yards and six touchdowns, to account for practically all of the Falcons' passing attack.

The Falcons' leading rusher is also back in Bob Zimpfer, a 5-10, 180-pound junior who rushed for 538 yards last season for a 4.2 average. Zimpfer also is a tough man on punt and kick-off returns, averaging a return of 17 yards with punts and 21 yards with kick-offs.

Also returning are the other leading Falcon ground-gainers, including Fred Mathews, (149 yards), Ed Coletti (263 yards, 5.3 average), Charles Radich (270 yards) and Steve Lanning (136 yards).

Nyitray, a starter for two seasons, will get the first shot at quarterback, but right behind him is Terry Bork, last year's top reserve who completed eight passes for 108 yards.

The top returnee on defense is middle guard Joe Green, a 5-10, 180-pound junior who made the Mid-American Conference first team last season.

Nehlen plans to try sophomores at the offensive line positions. Such inexperience will probably result in a slow start, but in the second half of the season, the Falcons could emerge into one of the league's top teams.

REDSKINS AGAIN CONTENDERS

It's routine to list Miami as a contender for the conference title.

The Redskins have captured eight league titles in the past 20 years and have usually been among the contenders during the years they didn't win. This season shouldn't be any exception for the red and white clad team of coach Bo Schembechler.

Last season the Redskins posted a 6-4 over-all record and tied for third place with Western Michigan in the conference with a 4-2 mark. Miami was in the league race until its last conference game of the season and was the only team to defeat co-champion Ohio (22-15) in league play.

Inexperience in the form of eight sophomores in the starting line-up was a major drawback in 1967, but that weakness could turn into a strength this year.

All eight of 1967's sophomores have a year of experience and they could have learned enough to put Miami back in the conference throne room.

In all, Schembechler has 21 lettermen returning, including 11 starters, four on offense and seven on defense.

The key to title hopes is junior quarterback Kent Thompson, a 6-foot, 175-pounder who started every game last season. Thompson's inexperience in the early games last season obviously hurt, but in 1968 he could be one of the league's best.

Thompson is not an exceptional passer, but he's a good runner and tough on the option play, the key to Miami's offensive attack. Last season, Thompson completed 38 passes in 106 attempts for 460 yards and a 36 per cent completion average. But his running statistics show his true value. He gained 404 yards on 160 carries for a 2.5 average, running that will keep any defense honest.

Other key offensive starters returning include tight end Gary Arthur, split end Tim Fortney and fullback Don Wade, who led the team last season. The 6-5, 220-pound junior is a good bet to repeat.

The top returnee on defense is linebacker Bob Babich, a 6-2, 215-pound senior who the Redskins are pushing for All-America honors. Babich was named his team's most valuable player last season and also was named to the all-conference first team.

Other defensive players the Redskins rate highly include halfback Dick Boron, end Merv Nugent and linebacker Bob Rieber.

On offense, the backfield and ends are considered the strong points, while on defense the line and linebackers are well fortified.

On the other hand, the Redskins have some holes to fill, namely in the line on offense and in the backfield on defense.

The whole middle of the offensive line is gone as well as tailback Al Moore, the team's leading rusher with 717 yards and a 5.3 average. Moore also was the team's top place-kicker and handled the kick-off return duties, averaging a nifty 30.8 yards on ten returns.

Kent Thompson, Miami

Don Wade, Miami

Moore will be missed, but so will safetyman Bob Smith, who led the team in pass interceptions with five. Smith and Moore both made the all-conference first team and Schembechler will be hard pressed to replace them.

If he comes close however, the Redskins could emerge as league champions.

MARSHALL REBUILDS

Marshall's football team literally hit rock bottom in 1967. The Thundering Herd didn't do any thundering, losing all ten games and finishing last in the conference.

The performance cost veteran coach Charlie Snyder his job and now Perry Moss is coming in from the pros to take over the task of rebuilding the Herd back to football respectability.

Moss came from Orlando of the Continental Football League and has promised sweeping reforms this fall.

Moss inherits 24 lettermen from the winless team, but there were only 18 players on the freshman unit, creating a serious manpower problem. Moss had already gone to junior colleges in Florida and Oklahoma for replacements, but it's too early to tell how effective they will be.

Moss experimented freely in spring drills and it's expected there will be many position changes this fall.

"Some of our better athletes may have to learn other positions in addition to the ones they are accustomed to playing," Moss said. "Charley Jones may have to play at flanker or even defensive back in addition to being a running back."

Jones, a 5-11, 185-pound junior speedster, was the Herd's leading ground gainer last season and was easily the team's most outstanding player.

"We hope we have 22 top boys who can hold down the starting positions," said Moss. "Otherwise, we may have to ask some to play both ways."

Two-way players in the age of two-platoon football is a rough assignment and at best it can only be a stop gap measure.

Still, it could get the Herd over a rough spot. Despite the winless record, Marshall lost some close decisions in 1967, such as 14-7 to Toledo, and 9-7 to Bowling Green. It may take only a little extra effort to get Marshall back into the winning column.

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Tom Beutler, three-time all-MAC defensive star, towers (right) above Toledo defensive line as a linebacker prior to one of the plays in the Rockets' 33-0 rout of arch-rival Bowling Green last year.

COMPOSITE 1968 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE
MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

(Last year's score in parenthesis)
(Home team score last)

SEPTEMBER 14
Kent State at Dayton (dnp)
Morehead St. at Mar. (30-6)
Miami at Xavier (6-7)
Richmond at Toledo (dnp)
Ark. St. at W. Mich. (21-8)

SEPTEMBER 21
Ball St. at B.G. (dnp)
Buffalo at K. S. (30-6)
Marshall at Ohio (14-48)
Miami at U. of Pacific (dnp)
Toledo at Villanova (52-6)
Brig. Y. at W. Mich. (44-19)

SEPTEMBER 28
Dayton at B.G. (0-7)
Ohio at K. S. (1-0, forfeit)
Marshall at Toledo (7-14)
W. Mich. at Miami (24-14)

OCTOBER 5
B. G. at W. Mich. (6-10)
Kent State at Miami (7-21)
Marshall at Xavier (0-7)
Toledo at Ohio (14-20)

OCTOBER 12
B. G. at Toledo (0-33)
W. Mich. at K. S. (16-7)
Miami at Marshall (48-6)
Ohio at Wm. & Mary (22-25)

OCTOBER 19
K. S. at B. G. (6-7)
Louisville at Marshall (43-7)
Miami at Ohio (22-15)
Toledo at W. Mich. (35-9)

OCTOBER 26
B. G. at Miami (7-9)
Toledo at K. S. (14-13)
W. Mich. at Marshall (42-10)
Dayton at Ohio (10-9)

NOVEMBER 2
Marshall at B. G. (7-9)
K. S. at Louisville (28-21)
Miami at Toledo (14-24)
Ohio at W. Mich. (20-10)

NOVEMBER 9
Ohio at B. G. (31-7)
K. S. at Marshall (41-2)
Dayton at Miami (7-6)
Xavier at Toledo (dnp)
W. M. at W. Tex. St. (dnp)

NOVEMBER 16
B. G. at N. Illinois (17-7)
Xavier at Kent State (19-31)
Marshall at E. Caro. (13-29)
Ohio at Cincinnati (dnp)
Toledo at Dayton (21-7)

NOVEMBER 23
B. G. at Xavier (dnp)
Miami at Cincinnati (27-14)
N. Illinois at Ohio (dnp)
dnp—did not play in 1967.

1967 M.A.C. STANDINGS

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Toledo	5	1	0	9	1	0
Ohio	5	1	0	6	4	0
Western Michigan	4	2	0	5	4	0
Miami	4	2	0	6	4	0
Bowling Green	2	4	0	6	4	0
Kent State	1	5	0	4	6	0
Marshall	0	6	0	0	10	0

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MICHIGAN FOOTBALL'S 1968 PRE-SEASON ALL-MAC TEAM

Pos.	Name	Wt.	Ht.	Class	Hometown
TE	Gary Arthur (Miami)	220	6-5	Jr.	Dayton, Ohio
SE	Todd Snyder (Ohio)	185	6-2	Jr.	Athens, Ohio
T	Ken Carmon (Ohio)	230	6-3	Sr.	Avon Lake, Ohio
T	Dave Hutchins (Miami)	228	6-3	Sr.	Vandalia, Ohio
G	Keith Volk (WMU)	220	6-3	Jr.	Bay City, Mich.
G	Mel Miller (Toledo)	210	6-2	Sr.	Castalia, Ohio
C	Gene Hamlin (WMU)	248	6-2	Sr.	Detroit, Mich.
QB	Cleve Bryant (Ohio)	180	5-11	Jr.	Canton, Ohio
HB	Dick Conley (Ohio)	185	5-10	Sr.	New Concord, Ohio
HB	Roland Moss (Toledo)	215	6-3	Sr.	Passaic, N. J.
FB	Tim Majerle (WMU)	187	5-11	Sr.	Cadillac, Mich.
E	Jerry Collins (WMU)	216	6-0	Sr.	Muskegon, Mich.
E	Mel Tucker (Toledo)	195	6-1	Sr.	Cleveland, Ohio
T	Jim Corrigall (KSU)	220	6-3	Jr.	Barrie, Ontario
T	Mike Siwek (WMU)	240	6-4	Jr.	South Bend, Ind.
MG	Joe Green (BGSU)	190	5-10	Jr.	Toledo, Ohio
LB	Bob Babich (Miami)	215	6-2	Sr.	Campbell, Ohio
LB	Nick Zuj (KSU)	232	6-4	Jr.	Niagara Falls, Can.
HB	Dick Boron (Miami)	185	5-11	Sr.	Shadyside, Ohio
HB	Dave Hudson (WMU)	192	6-2	Sr.	Battle Creek, Mich.
HB	Curt Johnson (Toledo)	200	6-2	Jr.	Toledo, Ohio
HB	Mike Schott (Ohio)	190	5-11	Jr.	Cincinnati, Ohio
KS	Ken Crots (Toledo)	170	5-9	Jr.	Ottawa Lake, Mich.

Gary Arthur, OE, Miami
Todd Snyder, OE, Ohio

Ken Carmon, OT, Ohio
Dave Hutchins, OT, Miami

Keith Volk, OG, WMU
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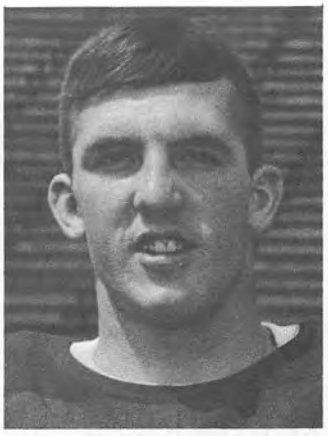

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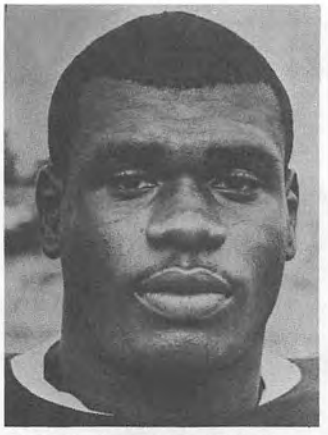

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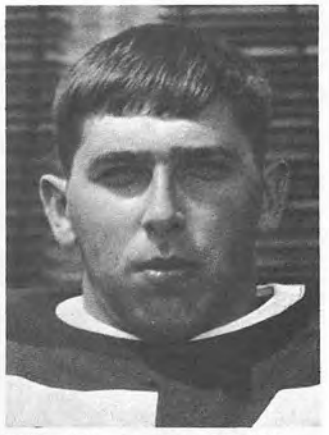

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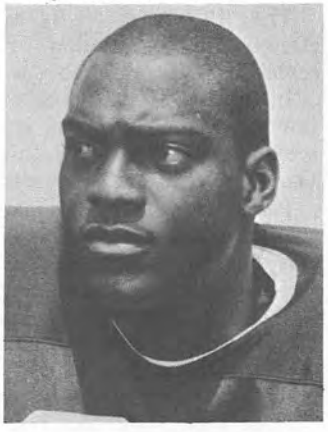

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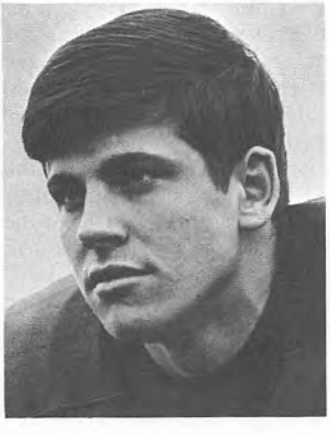

Bucky Colton (90), *rugged defensive end from Midland, was a unanimous first team IIAC selection last season. He's easily the hardest and surest tackler on the team. Beginning his junior season, great things are again expected of him by Kramer. Here he breaks up a pass play in action last fall.*

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BY JIM WOJCIK

Sports Information Director, Central Michigan University

A wide open battle for the IIAC championship is expected this fall. Defending co-champions Central Michigan and Ilinois State will have to stave off serious challenges from Eastern Illinois and Western Illinois if they hope to repeat.

Central Michigan has 24 returning lettermen including Craig Tefft, the first CMU running back to gain over 1,000 yards since 1958. Gone from last year's squad are the school's two career leading pass receivers, with the offensive end spot one of the largest gaps to fill.

Illinois State is rebuilding its offensive line and looking for an experienced quarterback. Gone from last year's team, the best in ISU history, is the league's MVP, Steve Bjornstad. On the bright side is the return of the squad's leading rusher Jed Waters and guard Hank Guenther.

Eastern Illinois, with a three game unbeaten string at the end of last year, loses only two starters (one being all-conference defensive back Gus Holly). The Panthers will have the league's most experienced offensive backfield in quarterback Joe Davis and halfbacks Dennis Bundy and Larry Angelo.

Western Illinois lost little All-American linebacker Mike Hattery, but has 28 returning lettermen, and is expecting some help from a large group of sophomores as the Leathernecks hope to extend their two-game winning streak from the end of last year.

CHIPS TO FALL: KRAMER

BY DAVE HARFST

The "I's" have it. By a unanimous vote Roy Kramer's effective implementation of the I-formation has been accepted by Central Michigan University.

In his rookie season as a college football coach, Kramer saw the Chips finish the year with an 8-2 mark. They also posted a 2-1 Interstate Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (IIAC) record and shared the league title with Illinois State.

Pessimism enters Kramer's conversation when speaking about the fortunes of the 1968 CMU football team. He says that there aren't any real strengths on the Chips' team.

This could be misleading, inasmuch as senior tailback Craig Tefft, who gained unanimous IIAC honors, heads a list of 26 returning lettermen. There is also a bonus return of quarterback Bob Miles, who broke his leg on the third play from scrimmage last year.

Gene Gilin, who like Tefft had prepped under Kramer at East Lansing, filled the signal-calling role well. Gilin, who also returns, hit 41 passes for 611 yards.

All is not bright. There is a problem to fill spots vacated by the graduation of Bill Sinkule, defensive tackle; Bruce Cameron, defensive halfback and kicker; Mike Coquillard, defensive guard; Tom Dobberstein, offensive end; Greg Hoefler, offensive end; Wally Hempton, slotback; Mark Maksimovicz, defensive end; Al McNeal, linebacker; and Jim Wasylk, offensive guard.

Hempton holds CMU records for most number of passes caught in a career, 99 for 1406 yards.

Twice an All-IIAC selection, Sinkule was a 9th round draft choice of the St. Louis Cardinals. The absence of Sinkule's 6-3, 245-pound frame from the line will leave a large hole to fill.

Bucky Colton, defensive end, and Ralph Sarnowski, of-

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fensive tackle, are two of the three All-IIAC selections returning. The other is Tefft, who gained 1046 yards his first varsity season.

Top sophomore prospects are Ron James, guard from Walled Lake; Bucky Saundens, back from Grand Rapids; and Ken Scislowicz from Royal Oak. There are also two transfer students eligible who sat out the '67 campaigns. They are Terry Harris, defensive lineman from Flint who transferred from Nebraska to CMU, and Ed Jonatis, back or end from Minnesota who transferred from Missouri.

Illinois State and CMU appear to be the early choices for the IIAC crown again in '68. The two teams finished the '67 season tied at 2-1 in the conference, but also ended the over-all season with 8-2 marks. Both Eastern Illinois and Western Illinois are expected to be improved this year. Western spoiled the Chips' bid for an outright crown when it upset Kramer's crew, 13-7.

FINAL 1967 IIAC STANDINGS

	all games			league		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Central Michigan	8	2	0	2	1	0
Illinois State	8	2	0	2	1	0
Eastern Illinois	2	6	1	1	2	0
Western Illinois	2	6	0	1	2	0

1967 IIAC LEADERS

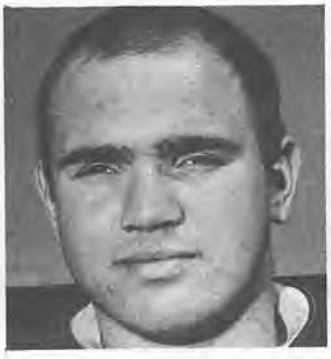
RUSHING	ATT	YG	YL	Net	Avg.
Craig Tefft (CMU)	88	374	14	360	4.1
Mike Lunt (WIU)	50	170	12	158	3.2
C. Mokszycki (ISU)	37	154	11	143	3.9
Dennis Bundy (EIU)	45	142	0	142	3.2

PASSING	Att	Com.	YG	Int	Pct	TD
M. Phillips (ISU)	28	14	285	3	.500	2
Joe Davis (EIU)	34	14	115	1	.438	0
Gene Gilin (CMU)	26	11	146	1	.423	0

Bob Markey

Bob Miles

Ralph Sarnowski



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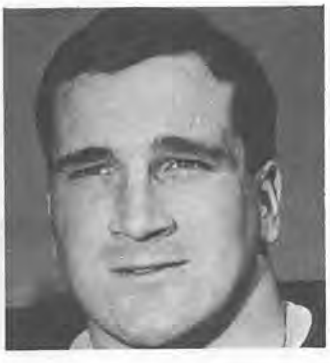
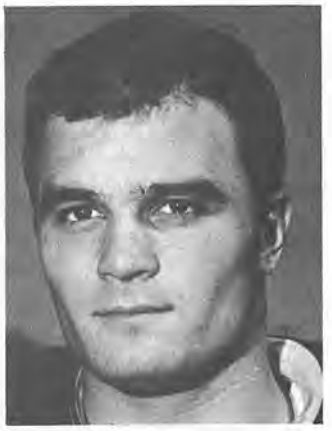


Tefft Makes Central Run

Coach Roy Kramer



Craig Tefft

Craig Tefft established himself as a strong college runner as he became the first Central Michigan University back since Walter Beach to rush for over 1,000 yards in a season.

The former East Lansing back played his high school ball under coach Roy Kramer. He injured his hip and saw limited service in several games, including only one play against powerful Northern Michigan.

Tefft also established several game and season records for number of rushes. He carried the ball 267 times for 1046 yards—a 3.9 yards a carry average. The durable tailback, who is a senior, came within 38 yards of Beach's rushing mark.

The 21-year-old tailback stands 5-10 and weighs 180 pounds. He is also the brother-in-law of another Chip sports figure—New York Yankee star Tom Tresh.

To gain a starting berth in '67, Tefft had to outperform Jim Acitelli and Bob Foldesi. The pair had gained All-IIAC honors in previous years. Acitelli earned conference honors in '65 and Foldesi in '66. Tefft continued in the role by gaining unanimous All-IIAC honors.

Tefft showed his scoring potency by carding 72 points on 12 touchdowns. This was two more TD's than the remainder of the team scored in '67.

The hard-running tailback is considered a strong contender for small college All-American honors this season. He did manage to gain All-State honors last year.

Gene Gilin (15) led Central's attack last season after regular QB Bob Miles was iniured. Both will be back this season. Gilin completed 41 of 84 passes for 611 yards and four touchdowns.

1967 CMU Statistics

RUSHING	ATT	YG	YL	NET	AVG	TD
Craig Tefft	267	1084	38	1046	3.9	12
Jim Acitelli	69	287	3	284	4.1	1
Gene Gilin	90	350	89	261	2.9	4
Wally Hempton	60	251	1	250	4.2	4
Tom Clevenger	50	226	16	210	4.2	1
Bump Lardie	33	137	26	111	3.4	0
Lyle Teal	25	97	12	85	3.4	0
Tom Stark	9	30	0	30	3.3	0
Jim Skrocki	5	25	0	25	5.0	0
Jan Peters	6	29	4	25	4.2	0
Bob Miles	1	8	0	8	8.0	0
Tom Main	1	2	0	2	2.0	0
Bob Foldesi	5	9	8	1	0.2	0
Blocked Punt (Team)			24			

PASSING	ATT	COM	YG	INT	PCT	TD
Gene Gilin	84	41	611	5	.488	4
Bump Lardie	25	6	60	4	.240	0
Bob Lorraine	1	1	14	0	1.000	0
Craig Tefft	1	1	0	0	1.000	0
Jan Peters	3	0	0	1	.000	0

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	TD
Wally Hempton	22	227	1
Greg Hoefler	16	292	3
Craig Tefft	3	44	0
Lennox Burroughs	3	23	0
Dave Lemere	2	24	0
Joe Remenap	1	14	0
Tom Dobberstein	1	10	0
Tom Clevenger	1	1	0

SCORING	TD	EPK	EP-ER	FGA-M	TP
Craig Tefft	12	0	0	0	72
Bruce Cameron	0	17-21	0	10-7	38
Wally Hempton	5	0	0	0	30
Gene Gilin	4	0	0	0	24
Greg Hoefler	3	0	1	0	20
Jim Acitelli	1	0	0	0	6
Tom Clevenger	1	0	0	0	6
Raleigh Smith	1	0	0	0	6
Dave Farris	0	2-3	0	0	2
Bob Foldesi	0	1-1	0	0	1

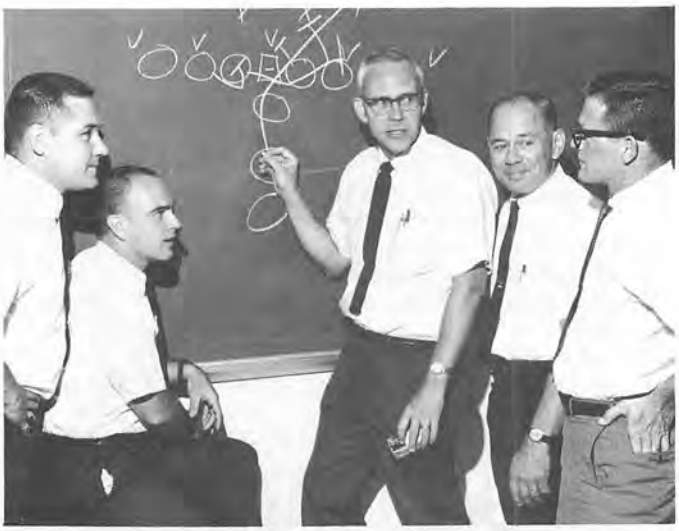
1967 RESULTS (8-2)

23	Bradley	21
16	Youngstown	2
15	Northern Michigan	21
21	Eastern Illinois	0
30	Hillsdale	6
33	Central State (O.)	0
19	Illinois State	14
7	Western Illinois	13
9	Morehead State	7
34	Wayne State	0

CENTRAL MICHIGAN SCHEDULE

Sept. 14	at Bradley
Sept. 21	Youngstown
Sept. 28	**N. Michigan
Oct. 5	at E. Illinois
Oct. 12	at Hillsdale
Oct. 19	Central St. (O.)
Oct. 26	Illinois State
Nov. 2	Western Illinois
Nov. 9	Open
Nov. 16	Wayne State

**Red Feather Game at Saginaw, Mich.



Roy Kramer's first year as head coach last season produced an 8-2 record. Roy openly attributes much of that success to his staff of assistants, which includes from left: Bill Odykirk, Herb Deromedi, Kramer, Bob Sullivan, and Irv Sigler.

Steve Lockman (32), regular linebacker from Traverse City, missed three games last season due to mononucleosis. Here he recovers a fumble during game last fall. Besides linebacking work, he also punted for a 34.6 average.

THE MIAA: A BIG LITTLE LEAGUE

The Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association—MIAA—likes to give the Big Ten a good-natured reminder that the MIAA is the "older brother" of the major college counterpart. Indeed, the MIAA is the oldest college conference west of the Allegheny mountains, and the Big Ten is several years younger.

To understand the MIAA's football situation, a brief look both at history and at factors other than football is necessary.

The MIAA was founded in March of 1888, with Michigan State, Albion, Hillsdale, and Olivet as charter members. This was the month of the great blizzard of 1888, and it is an interesting coincidence to note that at the very moment that the MIAA was being founded, the carriagemaker of Voss, Norway, Lewis Rockne, was naming his newborn son Knute Kenneth. Knute Rockne had great admiration for the MIAA, and when Rock was at the peak of his Notre Dame career, he took great pains to find room for MIAA banquets on his busy speaking schedule.

Track, tennis, and baseball were the most prominent features of the MIAA until football made its appearance in 1894. The only interruptions since have been the two World Wars, and today the MIAA has reached the venerable age of 80 years. A king-sized Diamond Jubilee was held on the 75th anniversary in 1963, under the supervision of the then-commissioner, Win Schuler.

Today, with John Hoekje as Commissioner, the MIAA insists on balanced programs. Current members are Adrian, Albion, Alma, Calvin, Hope, Kalamazoo, and Olivet Colleges. With the sole exception of Calvin in football, every school competes in all of the eight official league sports. The ties extend far beyond the field of athletics, as all of the schools are allied with other schools in various liberal arts programs.

The close alignment of the MIAA schools, in outlook as well as geographical arrangement, has led to an outstanding record of continuity of membership. Of the ten schools which have ever held membership in 80 years, seven are still members today, a record few leagues can match. Michigan State, a charter member, obviously outgrew the league many years ago. Eastern Michigan was a member for several years, but left in the 1920's after also outgrowing the other schools. The third ex-member, Hillsdale, left to pursue an independent course in 1960.

In total football championships over the years, Alma and Albion are now tied at the top with 17 each. Hillsdale holds 15 titles, Kalamazoo 14, and each of the other members (excepting Calvin) has been a champion on at least one occasion.

Hillsdale was the dominant team in the era from 1954 to 1959, winning five outright titles and one co-championship. In the past seven years, Albion has been the leader with four champions, while Kalamazoo and Alma have each had one clear-cut title. Kalamazoo also had a shared title with Hope in 1963.

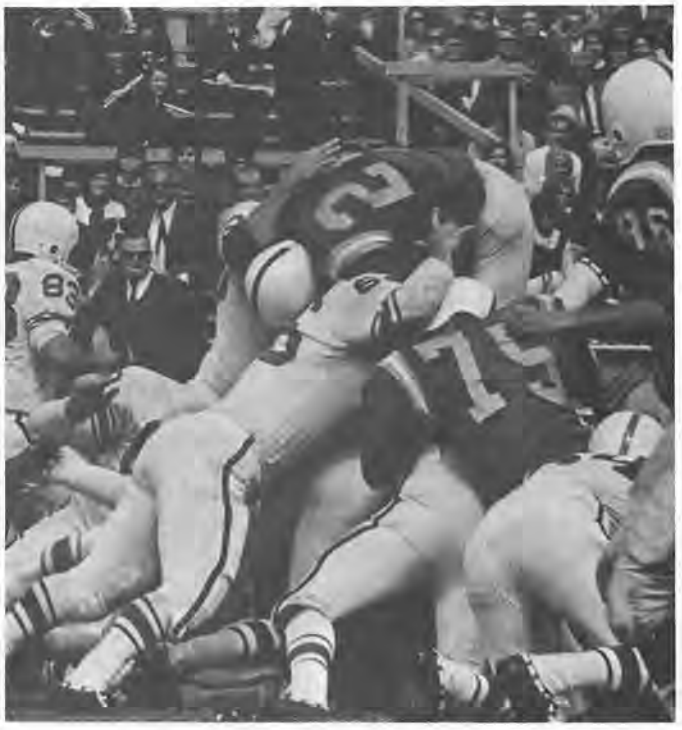
MIAA FORECAST: ALMA SHOULD RULE AGAIN

Forecasting the MIAA football champion for 1968 may be just a little more difficult than the task of pinning the tail on the donkey.

Freshmen are eligible for all MIAA varsity sports, and it isn't unusual for some unsung yearling to develop at the last minute and change a team's outlook. By the same token, veterans who figure in the list of returning lettermen may find themselves anywhere in the world when September rolls around. The off-campus programs in every corner of the globe are part of the regular school year for MIAA schools, and the player who figured on left guard may be on the left bank of the Seine instead.

In addition, some of the schools operate on a quarter system with unusual eligibility dates. Thus, Kalamazoo had a three-year starter at quarterback on hand for the first weeks of practice, only to have him lose his eligibility on the eve of the opening game. On the other hand, a letterman who wasn't even on campus when the opening game was played came back in time to give the Hornets considerable help as a punter. (continued)

Though Albion was plagued all last season with injuries that hurt the Britons' performances, it did come up with an outstanding game against Ohio Wesleyan. Here Albion back Craig Cossey plunges to the Wesleyan one yardline. Albion held the Ohioans to a 14-14 *tie, the only blemish on an otherwise perfect Ohio season.*



The 1968 season will be subject to the usual ups and downs of the MIAA situation. One fact does stand out, however—Alma's unbeaten and untied 1967 champions had so few seniors on their roster that the Scots are sure to be top contenders again in 1968. Also, Olivet, which lost only to Alma in 1967, had such an unusually fine crop of seniors in 1967 that the Comets are bound to be a little less potent than in '67.

Albion is usually blessed with more depth than any other MIAA team, but the Britons suffered from a disastrous run of injuries last fall. When healthy, Albion was a formidable unit, and unless lightning strikes twice, the Britons should recover and be a contender.

Kalamazoo, Adrian, and Hope were the second-division teams of 1967, and while each has an abundance of enthusiasm this season, each faces a rocky road to championship contention.

Alma coach Denny Stolz lost two fine senior players, Gordon Hetrick and Dennis Bongard, from the defensive backfield, so if the Scots have any weakness at all, it may be in that area. The Scots, however, will have no less than seven All-MIAA players on hand this fall. The offense will feature quarterback Tom Jakovac, halfback Chris Clark, end John Fuzak, tackle Brian Schrope, and center Warren Thompson. The defensive unit will include standouts in end Ken Mitchell, and tackle Jim Ciceri.

Olivet's coach Stu Parsell can start his 1968 personnel list with a great running back, Karl Wilson, and a top-notch linebacker, Loran VanBevern. The Comets had quality rather than quantity in 1967, and replacements for the graduated seniors will have to come from a combination of veterans and newcomers.

Albion's only returning All-MIAA player is offensive end Jim McMillan, who was third in league pass reception yardage last year. Returnees Ron Isaac at quarterback and Craig Cossey at halfback figured among the league's statistical leaders in 1967, but injuries forced so many line-up changes that few Britons played the entire season. Coach Morley Fraser may develop some skill as a juggler of personnel before the Britons are ready for this year.

Adrian has two All-MIAA defensive returnees in lineman Ken Cox and deep back Doug Moss. The enthusiasm of a new coaching situation (Bill Davis) may help the Bulldogs along, and if halfback Pete Yelorda is in good shape, Adrian may have the basis for a sound offense.

Neither Hope nor Kalamazoo will have an All-MIAA player returning. Hope's Coach Russ DeVette will have the services of quarterback Gary Frens, whose passing yardage topped the league last season. Frens' favorite target, end Tom Pelon, has graduated, but the Dutchmen are sure to take to the airlanes again with Frens at the helm.

Kalamazoo, under first-year coach Ed Baker, had the league's youngest team in '67. DeMonte Johnson, a fine breakaway runner, should be the center of Kalamazoo's offense, but the development of a field general and the forming of a defensive backfield will be major Hornet problems.

With Alma expected to be as strong as in 1967, it looks as if the rest of the league will have to hustle to overtake the Scots. Albion should be the top challenger with Olivet down slightly. Hope will be dangerous and capable of springing upsets, while Kalamazoo and Adrian will search for adequate offenses to go along with eager attitudes.

MICHIGAN FOOTBALL'S FORECAST:

1. **Alma**
2. **Albion**
3. **Olivet**
4. **Hope**
5. **Kalamazoo**
6. **Adrian**

The weather for MIAA football last season was the worst it has been in some time. Here Kalamazoo coach Ed Baker confers with his co-captain, Mike Molly, during game against Hope. Kalamazoo managed to whip the mud and the Dutchmen, 14-7.

ALMA AND OLIVET SET PACE IN '67

A Scotchman saves his pennies for a rainy day—and that exactly describes the key to Alma College's football success in 1967. The Scots of coach Denny Stoltz were so stingy on defense that they allowed league opponents a net of just 141 yards per contest. And, when the rainy days came, the Scots were in their glory. As the season progressed, the weather got worse, the mud thickened, and Alma grew even stingier, finishing the year with four straight shutout victories. Along with four earlier triumphs, it gave Alma an 8-0 record and the first Scot title since 1951.

Mud packs were just the beauty treatment the Scots needed in 1967. Alma had an adequate offense, with fine running by Chris Clark and Jack Prince and passing by Tom Jakovac, but it was a big, strong defensive unit which won top honors in the worst football weather in modern history. Tackle Jim Ciceri, end Ken Mitchell, and backs Gordon Hetrick and Dennis Bongard were the big heroes in the defensive platoon.

Olivet and Alma were headed on a collision course from the start of the 1967 season. Olivet had superior speed and a versatile attack, and coach Stu Parsell's Comets came into the October 28 showdown at Alma with an unblemished record. In deep and gooey mud, Alma's defense set up the opportunities as the Scots prevailed over the Comets, 34-0. All that remained thereafter was a 30-0 Alma win at Kalamazoo—in equally poor weather—to sew up the title.

Albion's run of injuries was almost beyond belief, and the Britons dropped from contention. Early in the season, when a full team was available, Albion showed its potential in a 14-14 tie with Ohio Wesleyan. That turned out to be the only blot on an otherwise perfect season for the Ohioans. No less than 14 players who competed against Wesleyan were cripples when Albion played at Kalamazoo a month later.

The second-division teams played round-robin, with Adrian defeating Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo stopping Hope, and Hope winning over Adrian. Kalamazoo's 14-7 win over Hope was astounding in view of Hope's overwhelming statistical edge.

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CAPSULE LOOKS AT MIAA COACHES

Only one newcomer will be at the helm in MIAA football in 1968, and that's at Adrian College where Bill Davis takes over. Thus, the line-up of league coaches for this fall include three veterans with ten years or more in the league, plus three relative newcomers of four years or less. The list is also split down the middle with three Michigan natives and three from other states, and it includes two Ohioans, two men coaching at their alma maters, and two from other sources.

The senior member of the group is Albion's Morley Fraser, who opens his 15th Briton season in 1968. Fraser is a product of Washburn University of Kansas, and he spent six years as a high school coach at Newberry and Lansing Eastern before taking the Albion post.

Close behind Fraser is Russ DeVette of Hope, starting his 14th season as Dutch coach. Russ was an outstanding athlete at Hope, and he started his coaching career there. After a brief hitch at the University of Maine in the early 1950's, DeVette came back to Hope permanently.

Olivet's Stu Parsell is the third member of the "old hands" group, starting his tenth campaign as Comet coach this fall. Parsell's entire coaching career has been just down the road from his alma mater, Michigan State, since he coached at Dimondale High School before going to Olivet.

Denny Stolz was a football and baseball star at Alma College prior to his graduation in 1955. He coached at Haslett and Lansing Eastern before returning to Alma in the fall of 1965, and so is entering his fourth year as Scot coach. Stolz and DeVette are now coaching on the very fields where they saw action as players. The two never competed against each other however, since DeVette graduated from Hope four years before Stolz entered Alma.

By concidence, the two newest MIAA coaches are both natives of Ohio, and both came from Pennsylvania coaching jobs to their Michigan assignments. The first of these is Ed Baker, now in his second year at Kalamazoo College. Baker graduated from Denison University of Ohio, and compiled a fine record at Haverford School in Pennsylvania before accepting the Hornet post.

Bill Davis was named to the Adrian job in February of 1968, and so is the only brand new face in the ranks this fall. Davis is a graduate of Mt. Union College, not far from Baker's Denison stamping grounds. Baker picked up experience in the east, at Haverford, and Davis also moved eastward to serve as an assistant at Westminster College.

The MIAA has an outstanding history of balanced competition, a fine spirit and tradition, and a very respectable record against outside teams. With six coaches sharing a common trait—enthusiasm for small college football—the 1968 campaign should be another banner season for the MIAA.

1968 MIAA FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 14
Ashland at Adrian (night)
Carthage at Albion
Alma at Bluffton

Sept. 21
Manchester at Olivet
Adrian at Defiance
Albion at Ohio Wesleyan
Alma at Carthage
Hope at Lake Forest

Sept. 28
Grove City at Adrian
Defiance at Alma
Wheaton at Hope (night)
Lake Forest at Kalamazoo
Albion at Hofstra

Oct. 5
Adrian at Kalamazoo
Olivet at Albion
Alma at Hope

Oct. 12
Hope at Adrian
Albion at Alma
Kalamazoo at Olivet

Oct. 19
Adrian at Alma
Kalamazoo at Albion
Olivet at Hope

Oct. 26
Albion at Adrian
Hope at Kalamazoo
Alma at Olivet

Nov. 2
Adrian at Olivet
Hope at Albion
Kalamazoo at Alma

Nov. 9
Ashland at Hope
Ohio Northern at Kalamazoo
Albion at Taylor
Olivet at Bluffton

Nov. 16
Hiram at Kalamazoo

John Fuzak, end, Alma

Gary Frens, quarterback, Hope

Jim McMillan, end, Albion

Jim Ciceri, tackle, Alma

Karl Wilson, back, Olivet

Ken Cox, tackle, Adrian

1967 MIAA FOOTBALL STANDING

Sept. 16
Carthage 12, Albion 0
Augustana (Ill.) 10, Hope 0
Alma 33, Michigan Tech 7
Olivet 27, Franklin 14

Sept. 23
Olivet 26, Ferris 12
Albion 14, Ohio Wes. 14 (tie)
Ohio Northern 24, Kala. 8
Defiance 13, Adrian 8
Alma 25, Bluffton 13
Hope 27, Lake Forest 6

Sept. 30
Kalamazoo 9, Lake Forest 6
Hofstra 37, Albion 0
Wheaton 12, Hope 0
Olivet 14, Lea (Minn.) 13
Alma 34, Defiance 3
Ashland 34, Adrian 0

Oct. 7
Adrian 14, Kalamazoo 3
Olivet 24, Albion 7
Alma 20, Hope 18

Oct. 14
Olivet 34, Kalamazoo 0
Alma 14, Albion 0
Hope 19, Adrian 7

Oct. 21
Albion 6, Kalamazoo 0
Olivet 46, Hope 21
Alma 27, Adrian 0

Oct. 28
Kalamazoo 14, Hope 7
Albion 34, Adrian 0
Alma 34, Olivet 0

Nov. 4
Alma 30, Kalamazoo 0
Olivet 22, Adrian 0
Albion-Hope, cancelled

Nov. 11
Taylor 10, Albion 9
Hiram 21, Kalamazoo 20
Olivet 29, Bluffton 14
Ashland 39, Hope 0
Grove City 43, Adrian 6

	LEAGUE			FULL SEASON		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Alma	5	0	0	8	0	0
Olivet	4	1	0	8	1	0
Albion	2	2	0	2	5	1
Hope	1	3	0	2	6	0
Adrian	1	4	0	1	7	0
Kalamazoo	1	4	0	2	6	0

Chris Clark, halfback, Alma

Tom Jakovac, quarterback, Alma

Doug Moss, DHB, Adrian

MICHIGAN FOOTBALL'S 1968 PRE-SEASON ALL-SMALL COLLEGE TEAM

Who will be the top small college players to watch in 1968 around the state?

The Michigan Football staff analyzed each Michigan collegiate team (excluding MSU, Michigan and Western) and compiled the unit.

Northern Michigan paced the squad, with six selections from last season's 9-1 team, while Eastern Michigan was next with five.

Alma had three, Ferris State, Central Michigan and Olivet had two each, and Hillsdale and Adrian each had one.

Northern had three of its men in the offensive line alone, while Eastern had three of its men in the triangle formation on defense.

Northwood, Grand Rapids, Detroit, Michigan Tech, Albion, Hope, Kalamazoo and Wayne State all were eligible to place men on the team, but failed to land a selection.

OFFENSE

E—Tom Jackson	Eastern Michigan
E—John Fuzak	Alma
T—Gerald Lutri	Northern Michigan
T—John Schmidt	Eastern Michigan
G—Jim Meyer	Northern Michigan
G—Ray Richie	Central Michigan
C—Dick Ambrosino	Northern Michigan
QB—Tom Jakovac	Alma
HB—Lonnie Holton	Northern Michigan
HB—Craig Tefft	Central Michigan
FB—Karl Wilson	Olivet

DEFENSE

E—Bob Smith	Ferris State
E—Jim Kemp	Northern Michigan
T—Jim Ciceri	Alma
T—Ed Olsen	Eastern Michigan
G—John Sharp	Eastern Michigan
LB—Ivory Hood	Eastern Michigan
LB—Loran Van Bevern	Olivet
HB—Mike Bos	Hillsdale
HB—Doug Moss	Adrian
S—John Christant	Northern Michigan
S—Gary Warner	Ferris State

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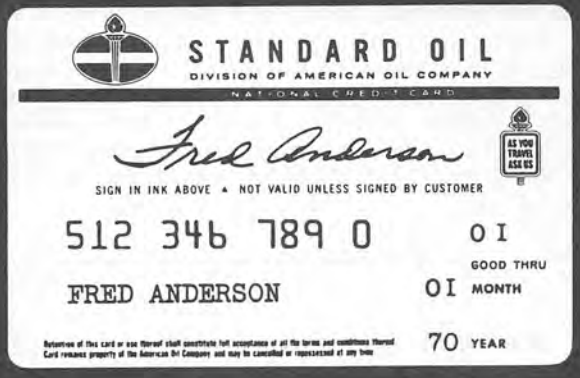

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MICHIGAN TECH EYES RISE DESPITE LACK OF SENIORS

Youth is the material Michigan Tech. coach Bill Lucier will use in developing and rebuilding his 1968 football team.

Last year's club, which went 0-7-1, was the youngest in the school's history. The Huskies have only four seniors listed on this year's roster, so maturity could be a problem again. Also a factor will be the incoming crop of freshmen.

In 1967, Lucier had to call upon 10 to 14 freshmen a game to fill in his starting offensive and defensive units. Despite a dismal 1967 season with only a scoreless tie with Ferris State in the final game on the plus side, Lucier possesses a 20-18-2 record in five seasons at MTU.

Twenty-four returning lettermen are headed by captain Jerry Pertunnen, senior defensive guard. Voted outstanding players for their play in 1967 were a pair of tackles. Dave Paris, senior, was selected as the outstanding offensive player, while junior Mike Zimmerman took the defensive honors.

"Unless our younger men show marked improvement, 1968 could be a long season," Lucier said. "We are hoping to improve, naturally, but we still feel we are hurting for maturity and experience. If we should come of age and fill a few spots with outstanding newcomers, well, Michigan Tech could be back in the race this fall."

Paul Dupont wears three hats on offense. The versatile performer can play any backfield position—quarterback, halfback, and fullback—he's called on to fill. Also returning is the Huskies' leading pass receiver, Dane Dominici, who caught 18 passes for 227 yards.

Expected to lend all-around support is halfback Jerry LaJeunesse. He led the Huskies in punting (35 yard avg.) and kick-off returns (16 for 225 yards). He was runner-up in rushing (305 yards), pass receiving (18 for 143 yards), interceptions (2), punt returns (7 for 28 yards) and scoring (12 points).

Five men were lost through graduation and leave several sizable holes to be filled. Among those graduated were Dave Johnson, leading rusher (71 carries for 324 yards), and Don Sloat, leading passer (40 of 92 for 367 yards).

As far as the Huskies' assignment in the Northern Intercollegiate Conference, it will be rugged again this year. St. Cloud State, defending champions and Winona State look like the league's top contenders. Other members of the NIC are Bemidji State, Mankato State, University Minnesota-Morris, and Moorhead State. Minnesota-Morris is the newest member of the NIC, but will not compete in football until 1970.

St. Cloud Favored Again in NIC

Members of the Northern Intercollegiate Conference (NIC), including Michigan Tech and five Minnesota colleges (Bemidji, Mankato, Moorhead, St. Cloud and Winona) enjoyed a banner season in 1967 and more of the same is expected in 1968.

Every team in the 1967 conference race, won by St. Cloud State, was loaded with juniors and sophomores who carried the majority of the load. So 1968 will certainly be anything but a rebuilding year for most of the teams.

St. Cloud State returns its entire backfield, led by record-setting halfback Gary Bahr. Bahr busted the existing conference rushing records to bits as he galloped for 784 yards in five NIC games, an average of 156.8 yards per contest. In fact, all five top rushers in the NIC, including Bahr, return this fall. Winona State's bruising fullback Pat Boland was second to Bahr with 523 yards, Moorhead State's Mike Quirk third (448), Mankato State's Bernie Maczuga, a freshman in 1967, fourth (370) and Winona's Jim Hippie fifth (299). Michigan Tech freshman Jerry LaJeunesse of Houghton just missed the top five as he picked up 263 yards in only four games.

St. Cloud will be favored to repeat, but is expected to receive stiff challenges from Winona and Mankato. Michigan Tech, who went winless for the first time under coach Bill Lucier, will still be green, green, green, but could, with a good patching job, become the conference darkhorse. Lucier has been known to come up with more than one surprise when the chips are down.

Moorhead could also challenge for the top if it can rebuild its line and find a new quarterback. It already has more than enough running power with fullback Quirk and halfback Leo Jacobson returning. Bemidji is still rated in the rebuilding stage, but could come up with a key win or two along the way.

One thing that keys the NIC is balance. Only one team, Mankato State, has repeated as a league champion since it tied for the crown in 1960 and won it outright in 1961. Winona won in 1962 and 1964 with Michigan Tech taking the odd years, 1963 and 1965. The 1963 title came in Lucier's first year at Michigan Tech. Moorhead edged out MTU for the 1966 title by one point with St. Cloud taking all the honors last season, going undefeated in five NIC games.

Taking a last look at the 1968 NIC race, one sees the same key factor that appears every year . . . a fact that anything can, and usually does, happen, in any given NIC football race. The pre-season predictors are usually wrong about the final outcome and there is little reason to believe a change is due in this trend. 1968 should be another great race to the wire in the NIC.

1968 TECH SCHEDULE		1967 TECH RESULTS (0-7-1)	
S-21	Wayne State	7	Alma 33
S-28	Mankato State	7	Wayne State 48
O-5	at Bemidji State	0	St. Cloud 10
O-12	at Moorhead State	7	Mankato State 28
O-19	Winona State	14	Bemidji State 21
O-26	at St. Cloud State	13	Moorhead State 34
N-2	Ferris State	6	Winona State 10
N-9	at Northland	0	Ferris State 0

1967 TECH STATISTICS

SCORING	TD	EPK	EPR	EPP	FG	TP
Johnson	3	0	0	0	0	18
LaJeunesse	2	0	0	0	0	12
DuPont	2	0	0	0	0	12
Dominici	1	0	0	0	0	6
Worley	0	6-7	0	0	0-3	6
Sloat	0	0	0	0-1	0	0

RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	AVG.
Johnson	71	340	16	324	4.6
LaJeunesse	78	326	21	305	3.9
DuPont	74	249	38	211	2.9
Mazur	52	187	18	169	3.3
Walton	22	56	2	54	2.5
Holland	13	48	0	48	3.7
Dougovito	15	46	0	46	3.1
Sloat	13	42	29	13	1.0
Bienkowski	5	8	0	8	1.6
Merlo	21	16	80	−64	—

PASSING	ATT	COMP	HAD INT	PCT	YDS	TD
Sloat	92	40	11	.435	367	0
Merlo	52	19	3	.365	254	2
DuPont	21	11	1	.524	114	0

PASS RECEIVING	PC	YDS	AVG.	TD
Dominici	18	227	12.6	1
LaJeunesse	18	143	7.9	1
Johnson	10	104	10.4	0
Niedbalski	7	116	16.6	0
Hartman	6	65	10.8	0
DuPont	6	44	7.3	0
Mazur	5	36	7.2	0

1) *Michigan Tech's mutt and jeff are 5-6 linebacker John Kolf from Detroit and 6-4, 230-pound defensive tackle Mike Zimmerman, from Sault Ste. Marie.*
2) *Head Coach Bill Lucier*
3) *Dave Paris, offensive tackle from Menominee was the Huskies MVP in '67.*
4) *Coach Bill Lucier calls linebacker John Benaglio, a linebacker from Stambaugh, the best ever to play his position at MTU.*
5) *Two-time letterman Alex Pociask returns for his junior season at center.*
6) *Sophomore Jerry LaJeunesse, of Houghton, was Tech's leading offensive performer last season, despite being just a freshman. He's the son of Omer LaJeunesse, former Huskie head coach.*
7) *Leading receiver for Tech last season was Dane Dominici, from Iron River, who returns for his sophomore season.*
8) *Mike Zimmerman, defensive tackle from Sault Ste. Marie, is a fine player on the Huskie defensive front.*
9) *Jerry Pertunnen of Marquette captain's MTU in '68. He's a three-time letterman at middle guard and linebacker.*
10) *Tech's coaching staff includes: Front row (L-R), Head Coach Bill Lucier, Ted Kearley, Al Sandona, Mike Eastlake; Back (L-R), Verdie Cox, Bill Sheffold, Dick Elrite.*

A Minor Miracle?

DETROIT BRINGS BACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL

BY JERRY KISSEL

"What do we do for an encore?" asked University of Detroit club football coach Jim Leary after his Titans had completed their spring practice.

Last season the Titans proved to be a major miracle. The hastily-organized team went through its maiden season undefeated and earned a No. Four ranking nationally, by the National Club Football Rating Service.

The Titans opened their season with a stunning 13-6 upset over Fordham University, the school that pioneered the growth of club football in this country. Fordham had been playing some smaller college varsity elevens for the past few seasons in addition to various club teams.

Detroit's other two victories were scored over arch-rival Marquette. The Titans won 22-6 in Milwaukee and 23-13 at home.

This season, Detroit has four games set, with a fifth game pending. Fordham and Marquette will be met on the road, while Canisius and St. Bonaventure will be met at Titan Stadium.

Leary greeted 84 candidates at the spring practice drills, including 22 members of last season's highly successful squad.

Heading the Titan's list of grid candidates is quarterback Jim Bunsey, a senior from Cleveland, Ohio, who prepped at St. Ignatius.

Bunsey demonstrated last season that he is a college caliber quarterback and could play regularly for many major schools.

Leary is especially pleased by the showing of two of his tackles—Mike Freitag and Rich Ederle.

Freitag, a 245-pound sophomore from Washington, D.C., and Ederle, a 220-pound senior from New York City, made their presence felt in all the Titan games last season.

The U-D club football team was organized through the auspices of the Student Government.

No scholarships or financial aid is available to any of the Titan players. A budget of $16,000 was set up last year to pay for the equipment, travel expenses, etc.

The support of Titan alumni, students, faculty and friends helped the student government break even last year, with encouraging signs that the students will probably recognize a little profit this season.

1968 DETROIT SCHEDULE

Sept.	28	Fordham at New York, 2 p.m.
Oct.	4	Marquette at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Oct.	11	St. Peter's, Home, 8 p.m.
Oct.	18	Canisius, Home, 8 p.m.
Oct.	25	St. Bonaventure, Home, 8 p.m.

1967 RESULTS (3-0)

Detroit	13	Fordham	6
Detroit	22	Marquette	6
Detroit	23	Marquette	13

1—*The first club football game at the University of Detroit took place on September* 22, 1967, *against Fordham in Titan Stadium. Detroit, though underdogs, won* 13-6. *Over* 8,000 *fans watched the contest. Here a Detroit defender thwarts a Fordham pass attempt.*

2—*After several years without football, fans again crowded into Titan Stadium to watch college football, even though it was on a club basis.*

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LEARY BROUGHT TITANS BACK IN '67

Success has been the story of Jim Leary's football coaching career.

After a six year absence, Jim returned to the University of Detroit last season and guided the Titans to a 3-0 season in the maiden year of club football and a No. 4 club ranking nationally.

Leary last coached at U-D in 1958 and '59, when he served as frosh mentor. His 1959 team went undefeated.

Leary began his football career in his hometown of Pottsville, Pa., playing end for Pottsville Catholic High. He capped his high school career by being chosen to the Southern Conference All-Star team.

After graduating from high school, Jim moved on to Notre Dame where he played the grid sport until he was called to active military duty in 1944.

After completing his military duty, Jim returned to Notre Dame where he played two more years of varsity football before an injury ended his career.

This injury ended his active playing career, but started Jim on his coaching career. He took over the reins at South Bend Catholic High for five years, winning two city Catholic League championships.

In 1952, Jim moved into Michigan high school coaching, when he took over as head man at Bay City Visitation High School. There, he compiled a 37-18-1 record, while winning two city and one Catholic League championships.

His success at Bay City led him to the University of Detroit where he guided the Titan frosh.

Jim Leary, Titan coach.

In 1961, Jim returned to the prep ranks as head coach at U-D High—a position he held until 1965, when he became athletic director at that school.

The coaching lure proved too much for Jim, and when the U-D club football job beckoned, he accepted the challenge and led the Titans to an undefeated season, even though he had to build up a team almost completely from scratch.

The humble coach accepted little credit himself for his coaching success last season.

"The boys deserved the credit," Leary said. "They came out and played football for the fun of the game, not because they had to or because it was expected of them."

Joe Varley breaches the Fordham wall and plomps down the ball inches over the goal line to score the second Detroit touchdown in the Titans' first club football game in Titan Stadium.

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EASTERN LOOKS TO EXCELLENT SEASON

Dan Boisture had only six weeks from the time of his appointment as head football coach at Eastern Michigan University until the Hurons' opening game. He did an outstanding job in leading the Hurons past their first six opponents.

The final three games, Eastern ran into trouble—losing to Wayne State, 20-3; Northeastern Louisiana, 12-10; and Northern Iowa, 14-6. It was the best EMU season since 1957, when it also finished 6-3 under Fred Trosko.

This year, Boisture has an opportunity to review his zoning team's 1967 performance before opening at home September 14 against Morningside College (Sioux City, Iowa). The 1968 schedule is a milestone for the Hurons, as it marks the first ten game schedule in the 68-year history of the gridiron sport at EMU.

Boisture made the move to Eastern after serving nine years as an assistant coach at Michigan State University.

Football may have a bright future at the Ypsilanti school. Only three members of last season's team were seniors. The losses are co-captains Bob Edelbrock and Ron Arnold and guard Duane Gmerek.

Edelbrock was the leading scorer for the past two years and as a sophomore was the leading rusher. He also was the recipient of the team's most valuable player award and the Elton J. Rynearson award, which goes to the athlete who combines scholarship and grid prowess.

Attesting to the Huron's youngness in '67 was that seven freshmen were on the starting units in the season finale. The remainder of the starting team was composed of eight sophomores, five juniors and two seniors.

Biggest need on offense is a passing quarterback. Last year's regular quarterback, John Vaccarelli, was an outstanding team leader and runner but fell short as a passer.

Biggest asset for the Hurons comes in the ability of Boisture to recruit. The immediate success of EMU is tied to the recruitment of top players.

1) *Coach Dan Boisture wasted no time in instilling pride into his green Huron team. Defense was stressed in '67 as this shot shows.*
2) *Leading ground gainer in '67 was quarterback John Vaccarelli. Here the Huron speedster gains some of his* 481 *yards accumulated over the season.*

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Top returnees include: Ivory Hood, linebacker; John Schmidt, guard and nephew of Detroit Lions coach Joe Schmidt; John Sharp, tackle; Edward Olsen, tackle; Tom Jackson, end; Tommie Walls, halfback; Garry Grady, defensive back; and Gary Cooper, linebacker and guard.

Eastern displayed an offensive running game unmatched in its history. The Hurons rushed for a record 2,114 yards, surpassing the 1957 mark of 1,751 yards. The strength of the rushing game also helped establish a total offensive record of 2,651 yards, just bettering the old record of 2,635 set in '54.

Vaccarelli was the team's leading rusher with 481 yards in 106 carries for a 5.1 yards per carry average. Next was Walls with 469 yards, while freshman Mike Yanker gained 446.

The top pass receiver was Gary Matsckes with 16 receptions for 260 yards.

THE 1968 SCHEDULE

S.	14	—MORNINGS. (H)
S.	21	S. CONN. (H)
S.	28	at Arkansas State
O.	5	at Akron
O.	12	at Ball State
O.	19	at Tampa
O.	26	KENTUCKY ST. (H)
N.	2	N'EASTERN (H)
N.	9	N. IOWA (H)
N.	16	at Wittenberg

EMU 1967 RESULTS

EMU		OPP
17	Findlay	0
15	Baldwin Wallace	13
28	Eastern Illinois	12
47	Western Reserve	0
34	John Carroll	0
13	Ferris State	6
3	Wayne State	20
10	N. E. Louisiana	12
6	Northern Iowa	14

Won 6, Lost 3

IVORY HOOD: BIG LITTLE MAN

First year coach Danny Boisture got a lot of mileage out of his Eastern Michigan University football team the first season, but there was one player who he had underestimated —Ivory Hood.

The familiar number 63 had been seen all over the field for two years. But Boisture felt that Hood, who is 5-foot-11, 185 pounds, was too small for a linebacker.

Despite the fact Hood had been a starter for two years, it was hard to convince the first year coach that the Hurons could have a winning season with the small linebacker.

It didn't take Hood long to prove himself. The season's second game saw Boisture present Hood the Hurons' player-of-the-week trophy. In the game, Hood made six solo tackles, assisted on ten others, blocked two field goals, intercepted one pass and knocked down two other passes.

His accomplishments continue, including a record three blocked punts in a single game. These feats have earned him small college all-state honors. For his 1967 play, Hood was named to the NAIA District 23 team and received honorable mention on the AP Small College All-American team.

He has led the Hurons in the number of tackles for three straight years—1965, 56 tackles; 1966, 72 tackles; and 1967, 111 tackles.

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1) *Head Coach Dan Boisture*
2) *Linebacker Ivory Hood*
3) *Bob Edelbrock worms his way for yardage against Baldwin Wallace.*

Tom Walls eludes a tackler en route to a gain in action last season. Walls was the second leading Huron rusher with 469 yards.

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1967 EMU STATISTICS

RUSHING	TC	GAIN	L	NET	LG	AVE	TD
Vaccarelli	106	542	61	481	22	5.1	4
Walls	125	510	41	469	57	4.1	4
Yankee	101	483	37	446	68	4.8	3
Edelbrock	80	272	7	265	13	3.4	4
Thomas	46	185	7	178	18	4.0	2
Smith	18	105	1	104	24	5.8	1
Madden	23	103	8	95	9	4.5	2
Buttson	15	54	—	54	9	3.3	1
Heath	4	28	—	28	19	7.0	0
Myers	7	34	12	22	22	4.9	0
Lowe	3	13	—	13	6	4.3	0
Edwards	2	8	0	8	5	4.0	0
Bailey	1	—	4	−4	−4	−4.0	0
Isaac Hood	2	—	14	−14	−1	−7.0	0
Rinaldi	11	10	41	−31	9	−2.8	0

PASSING	COMP	ATT	INT	YDS	TD	LG	PCT
Vaccarelli	22	78	3	273	0	50	.282
Rinaldi	12	36	6	214	1	52	.333
Walls	1	1	0	27	0	27	1.000
Lowe	1	8	2	14	0	14	.125
Isaac Hood	1	12	1	9	0	9	.083

SCORING	TD	Kick PAT	Run PAT	Pass PAT	FG	S	TP
Edelbrock	4	15-18	0-1	0-0	2-2	0	45
Vaccarelli	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	24
Walls	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	24
Yankee	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	18
Madden	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	12
Thomas	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	12
Crane	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	8
Smith	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	6
Warkentien	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	6
Matsche	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	6
Buttson	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	6
Lee	0	3-4	0-0	0-0	1-6	0	6

RECEIVING	REC	YDS	TD	LG	AVE
Matsche	16	260	1	52	16.2
LeClaire	7	95	0	25	13.5
Madden	5	80	0	26	16.0
Thomas	2	27	0	14	13.5
Arnold	2	23	0	14	11.5
Heath	1	21	0	21	21.0
Walls	2	13	0	16	6.5
Yankee	1	11	0	11	11.0
Edelbrock	1	7	0	7	7.0

Jerry Warkentien picks up yardage against Baldwin Wallace.

Ferris Looks To Big Improvement In 1968

Defensive strength could again be the by-word in the Ferris State football outlook as the Bulldogs head into the '68 season. Of the 19 returning lettermen, more than half were defensive performers for head coach Bob Leach, with several players going both ways.

The loss of Dan Stremick, graduating senior and NAIA District No. 23 selection at defensive end, is the biggest hole to fill, although half a dozen letterwinners have had some experience at the position as well as on offense.

Talent to fill holes on the left side of the offensive line and in the backfield are next on the list, as coach Leach heads into his second season with the Bulldogs. Last year Ferris posted a 0-7-1 record, but gave a good account of itself in all contests.

The Bulldogs were nipped in the first game of the season 8-7 by Ohio Northern. A 27-13 defeat by Wayne State and 13-6 battle with power-laden Eastern Michigan were contests that were heavily determined by experience rather than might. Ferris closed out the season with a 0-0 tie with Michigan Tech in what was tabbed the "Blizzard Bowl" because of a heavy snow fall during the contest.

Offensively, only the end and guard spots on the left side are not filled on paper with the names of letterwinners. In the backfield, the two top quarterbacks are on the roster, with sparse experience appearing in the remaining running back slots.

Returning from last year's Bulldog defensive front line are ends Bob Smith and Rich Hicks, Rich Kraus and Doug Keller at the tackles, and middle guard Dave Burtch. At linebacker the Bulldogs have both cornermen, Mike Maidens and team captain Ron Harke back. The deep secondary will start with Ben Cadwell, Corey Bouyer and Gary Warner.

The front line averages about 225 pounds with both Smith and Kraus coming in at 240 and Burtch at 230.

Bouyer played safety last year as well as some middle guard and was effective against scrambling quarterbacks. The sophomore letterman makes use of his speed away from the gridiron as a top notch sprinter and hurdler with the FSC track squad.

Most experienced in the deep defense of the Bulldogs is junior Gary Warner. He's picked off at least three enemy passes each of his two seasons and is one of the surest tacklers on the open field.

Offensively, the Ferris line could consist of Harke at an end, tackles Larry Marfechuk and Charles Nook, guard Stan

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1) *Doug Smith* (42) *is one of just two returning backfield letterwinners. Here he turns the corner against St. Norbert College for a sizable gain.*

2) *Coach Bob Leach confers with his Ferris State gridders during a lull in the action.*

Gary Warner (40) *has been the key defensive player in the Ferris State make-up for the past two years and is counted on to turn in more of the same fine play in '68. A hawk on pass defense, Warner is also one of the finest open field tacklers on the Bulldog squad, as these photos show. Gary is shown against Eastern Michigan.*

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Bator, and John Brender at center. Al Beamer and Cadwell make up the two returning signal-callers in the Bulldog forces, but only Doug Smith and Mike Maidens are left in the running backfield.

"We had some good size last year," commented Leach, "but we could use more big guards with fair speed to balance out the line." Bator, the only returning regular at guard, stands 6-0 and goes 180 pounds. Brender lettered his first season as a tackle, but moved his 250 pounds to center last season to fill a hole and did a good job. Nook, also a letterwinner, is 220 pounds, while Marfechuk comes in at 190, but is a very effective blocker at tackle.

The '68 schedule is a tough one again for the Bulldogs and sports teams such as Taylor University and Wabash College of Indiana, Illinois State, Iowa Wesleyan, Ohio Northern, and Findlay, also of Ohio. Michigan competition will come from Wayne State and Michigan Tech.

Taylor has annually been a small college powerhouse in football as well as Wabash. Illinois State's Redbirds lost only one game last season and Wayne State dropped just two.

Leach looks for his crew of "experienced sophomores" to be much improved over last year's unit, and has spent the recruiting season searching for good size and speed to build an offense.

1968 FERRIS STATE SCHEDULE			1967 FERRIS RESULTS (0-7-1)		
Sept. 21	Taylor	Away	7	Ohio Northern	8
Sept. 28	Wabash	Away	12	Olivet	26
Oct. 5	O. Northern	Home	7	St. Norbert	26
Oct. 12	Wayne State	Home	7	Ashland	21
Oct. 19	Iowa Wes.	Away	13	Wayne State	27
Oct. 26	Findlay	Away	6	Eastern Michigan	13
Nov. 2	Mich. Tech	Away	14	Univ. of Wis.-Mil.	32
Nov. 9	Illinois State	Home	0	Michigan Tech	0

1967 Ferris Statistics

RUSHING

PLAYER	ATT	NET	AVE
Snook	150	519	3.5
Tutecki	95	448	4.7
Bobb	45	140	3.1
Smith	13	92	7.1
Schraeder	20	54	2.7
Spencer	11	18	1.6
Moss	6	13	2.2
Rider	4	8	2.0
Zayti	1	1	1.0
Kavanagh	1	0	—
Maidens	1	−3	−3.0
Page	1	−11	−11.0
Cadwell	11	−18	−1.6
Beamer	21	−47	−2.2

PASS RECEIVING

PLAYER	PC	YDS	TD's
Harke	12	127	1
Bobb	9	79	—
Snook	5	55	—
Shirely	5	35	—
Young	3	14	—
Schraeder	2	26	—
Tutecki	2	7	—
Dent	1	12	—
Zayti	1	18	—
Rider	1	16	—
Moss	1	11	—

PASSING

PLAYER	ATT	COM	INT	YDS	TD'S
Beamer	82	26	7	245	1
Caldwell	32	14	3	137	—
Spencer	10	2	2	9	—
Tarkowski	1	—	—	—	—

Head Coach Gordon Hunsberger.

GRAND RAPIDS LOOKS TO BOUNCE BACK

A winning season is the primary aim of Grand Rapids Junior College when it opens its 1968 football schedule at Chicago's Wilson J. C.

The Furniture City team ended '67 with a 4-5 record—its first losing season in 12 years. One of the losses was a hard fought 14-0 decision at the hands of national champions North East Oklahoma.

A turnout of 90 players is expected, which gives the team valuable numbers for teaching platoon football. One strength should be the defensive secondary, which after a year of experience last season, should be able to prevent the long scoring pass. It was the "bomb" which plagued the secondary at critical times during '67.

The secondary will have Jerry McCarty at safety and Rick McCarty and Bob Ranson at the halfbacks.

Dave Ripmaster's return should bolster the offense. The hard-running fullback, who was an All-State and All-American prep player at Grand Rapids Creston missed the last six games of '67. He was injured in the North East Oklahoma game.

Also returning is last year's leading ground gainer Jon Galloway. The former two-time All-Stater from South Bend (Indiana) Riley will be at the left halfback spot.

John McIntyre, leading pass receiver as a split end, has gained weight and may be shifted to tight end. In high school, McIntyre earned all-conference honors at East Grand Rapids.

Rounding out the offensive returnees is Matt Rockwood. He alternated between guard and tackle last year. He too was an offensive all-city performer at Grand Rapids Catholic Central.

1968 GRJC SCHEDULE		1967 GRJC RESULTS (4-5-0)	
S. 14	at Wilson J.C. (Chicago, Illinois)	9 Wilson J.C.	14
S. 21	at Jolliet J.C. (Jolliet, Ill.)	21 Jolliet	7
S. 28	Bluffton (Ohio) Home	0 North East Okla.	14
O. 5	Air Force Acad. J.V.	28 Air Force J.V.	13
O. 12	at North Iowa	13 North Iowa	14
O. 19	Ellsworth (Iowa)	0 Ellsworth	41
O. 26	at Rock Valley (Ill.)	14 Bluffton	26
N. 2	C.M.U. Frosh	8 CMU Frosh	0
		20 Northwood	12

Hillsdale Faces Better Season In '68

The 1968 Hillsdale College Dales' football team will face, perhaps, one of the toughest schedules in the school's history. Among the Dales' opponents are the two schools which finished numbers one-two last year in the N.A.I.A.—Fairmont State of Virginia and Northern Michigan.

Head coach, Frank D. "Muddy" Waters, 94-31-5 at Hillsdale, terms the 1968 season as one of two building years at Hillsdale.

"We will have to look for the incoming men to bolster the spots vacated by graduating seniors," he said as he readies his 15th Dale squad.

Among the graduation losses suffered are those of fullback Mel Patterson and defensive tackles Pat O'Toole and Les Mallery. Patterson, voted the most valuable player for 1967, was the team's leading ground-gainer. A four-year letterwinner, Patterson was co-captain of last year's squad along with Mallery, a 270-pound defensive tackle. O'Toole was the other stalwart at the defensive tackle spot.

The Dales also lost both offensive ends, Larry Barnett and Bob Stroufe, and have a tough job of filling these key positions.

Hillsdale will boast a strong contingent of quarterbacks in the line-up, with Ron Pichan and Dick Miceli leading the returnees. Miceli started last year as a freshman and will be looked upon this year to supply more strength as a signal-caller. Pichan, a senior, has not seen considerable action, but is considered to be a strong candidate for the starting berth. Mike Harding, a defensive halfback, and Pat Long, a transfer student, are also being considered.

The running backs are led by Fred Wicht and Lou Guenther who shared most of the '67 running duty along with the graduated Patterson. Wicht was the second leading ground-gainer behind Patterson. Guenther started as a freshman and showed considerable promise with his fine speed and running ability. Also in the running for the halfback spots are Joe Brown, Ken Bridges, Horace Dudley and Dick Kraatz. Doug Dorman and Kraatz are the leading veterans for the fullback position.

Sophomore Rich King leads the returnees for one of the two end spots. The other end job will mainly be a battle between Jim Gibson and Darrel Spragg, who started for the Dales last season. Senior Barry Leosh and sophomore Ed Cinelli will be among those vying for a starting job at tackle. The guards are led by Joe Vijuk and Chuck Liebrock who were the starters at the end of last season. The pair will be hard pressed by Larry Cowell who was a starter two seasons ago.

Hillsdale had a season of near misses in 1967, *like this near blocked punt attempt.*

Coach Frank Waters

Dick Miceli, QB

Chuck Haviland, LB

Lou Guenther, OHB

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Doug Baker, a starter for the last two seasons, has the advantage at the center spot.

With the exception of three men, the entire defensive team returns. The end spots where held down by Duane Pelz and Rick Sands, but talented newcomers should provide the two with stiff competition. The two tackles are open. Top candidates for the spot are Ed Cinelli and Barry Leosh.

Employing the 4-4 defensive line-up, the Dales boast a strong contingent at the linebacking spots. Returning starters include senior co-captain Chuck Haviland, and sophomore Tom Sims. Trying to fill the gaps left by the departure of signal-caller Mike Bitar and leading pass intercepter Bud Browning are Zach Kanaan and Bob Farmer.

The defensive backfield remains intact with three experienced men. Al Gilliard and Mike Bos are the two halfbacks, while Mike Harding plays the safety spot.

The Dales' strength will be their defense if they can find capable replacements in the tackle spots and two of the remaining linebacking positions. Last season the defense proved the stronger of the two attacks and is expected to be just as strong for the upcoming season.

1967 HILLSDALE RESULTS (3-5)

3	Findlay	13
8	Northern Michigan	35
6	Central Michigan	30
27	Northwood Institute	13
14	Northern Illinois	24
19	Bradley	0
7	St. Norbert	13
14	S.W. Missouri State	6

1968 HILLSDALE SCHEDULE

Sept.	21	At Eastern Ky.
Sept.	28	Olivet
Oct.	5	At Missouri at Rollo
Oct.	12	Central Michigan
Oct.	26	Northern Michigan
Nov.	2	At Winona State
Nov.	9	At Northwood
Nov.	11	St. Norbert

1967 Hillsdale Statistics

RUSHING	TC	NET	AVG.
Mel Patterson	142	617	4.3
Fred Wicht	87	512	5.9
Lou Guenther	64	198	3.9
Dick Kraatz	24	135	5.6
Joe Brown	20	58	2.4
Dick Miceli	23	40	1.8
Ron Pichan	18	31	1.7
Ken Bridges	1	9	9.0
Mike Harding	12	−76	−6.3

PASSING	PA	PC	PI	YG	TD	PCT.
Dick Miceli	57	21	6	217	0	.368
Mike Harding	32	14	3	168	0	.438
Ron Pichan	21	7	4	80	0	.333
Lou Guenther	1	0	0	0	0	.000

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	AVG.
Larry Barnett	15	88	5.9
Bob Sroufe	14	243	17.4
Dick King	4	40	10.0
Fred Wicht	3	49	16.3
Dick Kraatz	3	24	8.0
Mel Patterson	1	13	13.0
Dick Miceli	1	4	4.0
Joe Brown	1	1	1.0

SCORING	TD	PAT	FG	TP
Mel Patterson	5	0	0	30
Fred Wicht	4	0	0	24
Phil Warf	0	9	1	12
Mike Harding	1	0	0	6
Bud Browning	1	0	0	6
Al Gilliard	1	0	0	6
Mike Bos	1	0	0	6
Dick Kraatz	1	0	0	6
Larry Barnett	1	0	0	6

NORTHERN MICHIGAN: STATE'S STANDOUT TEAM IN 1967

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"Thin ranks, but good quality."

Those five words from head coach Rollie Dotsch are a very frank appraisal of the football outlook at Northern Michigan University for the 1968 season.

"I believe we will have a good team, but one that must play a demanding schedule," said Dotsch. "I hope to have a winning season and I know our squad will be in every game, but our won-lost record will be in direct relation to the caliber of our opposition."

Dotsch said he expects to have a strong running game again in '68 with the return of the interior line and three starting backs from the unbeaten, untied 1967 Wildcat team. However, the losses of quarterback Lloyd Carr, split end Jesse Jenkins and tight end Ron Stump leave question marks in the offense that will have to be answered during spring practice.

A sound secondary and strength at middle guard and the ends paint a fairly bright picture for the defense, according to Dotsch. Chief losses have been linebacker Jack Spuhler and defensive backs Bob Lantzy and Rick Ginocchio.

"Adequate depth at those positions in 1967 will provide us replacements in '68," says Dotsch.

Northern has 31 returning lettermen.

Leading the list of returnees is junior halfback Lonnie Holton, a second team All-America choice last fall. He'll be joined by two other backfield starters, senior halfback Jim Lindstrom and senior fullback Kent Lefebvre.

Other experienced returning backs are sophomores Geoff Sitkoski, Bob Bricco, and Gene Grady, and junior fullback Dick Haynes.

Interior offensive line returnees, all starters last fall, are senior center Dick Ambrosino, senior guards Jim Meyer and Dan Flynn and tackles Jerry Lutri, a senior, and Tom Watson, a junior.

Sophomores Bob Bottiglieri and Dan Scheuren, and junior Mike Meyers, who play guard, tackle and center, respectively, are three additional returning lettermen in the offensive line.

Junior Paul Santoni and senior Don Wagner are a pair of lettermen expected to take over the end duties. Santoni can play either split or tight end while Wagner is being converted from an offensive guard-center to tight end.

Quarterback is a major question mark for Dotsch. Senior Rich McCarthy is the only returnee at the position, and his playing time last year was very limited.

The defensive backfield will probably be manned by senior John Chrisant, a two-time All-America honorable mention pick, and sophomore John T. Johnson at the safeties, and senior Bob Lantzy and sophomore Mike Perry at the cornerbacks. Junior Dave Gurica is a fifth letter-winner at defensive back.

Senior Bob Bertrand and sophomore Arlen Bell are a pair of experienced linebackers, along with sophomore Mike Skrocki who can play either linebacker or middle guard.

Sophomores Jim Kemp, Doug Peterson and John DeRosso, and junior Guy Kangas, are returning lettermen at defensive end as is sophomore Ron Fandruck, at defensive tackle.

In order to fill out his offensive and defensive squads, Dotsch will have to rely on 19 non-letter veterans from 1967, six tranfer students and whatever help that emerged in Northern's spring practice.

The top non-lettermen are sophomore Mick Natzel, a split end who missed lettering last fall because of injury, sophomore Phil Milkie, a strong contender at middle guard, and Marty Brenner, a sophomore quarterback candidate.

The top transfer is defensive tackle Dwight Romagnoli, who has two remaining seasons of eligibility after leaving Michigan State.

Northern's general call quite often pulls in two or three boys who are able to make the team. The most notable example is Holton, NMU's leading ground-gainer and scorer in 1967 who made the AP's second All-America team. The former Alma High School star answered the general call in the spring of 1966 and has been a two-year starter for the Wildcats.

"We have the experienced starters," Dotsch summarized. "We're concerned about quarterback, but we hope to have that question answered by the time fall practice starts. We also have to solve the depth problem. If we can do that, then I look for a very good 1968 season."

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1) *Jim Kemp, Northern's kick-off artist.*
2) *Northern's Lonnie Holton follows Lloyd Carr* (11) *and Kent Lefebvre* (25).

John Chrisant, DHB

Dan Flynn, G

Bob Bertrand, LB

Jim Lindstrom, HB

Tom Watson, T

Bob Lantzy, DHB

Dick McCarthy, QB

Guy Kangas, T

Dick Ambrosino, C

Halfback Jim Lindstrom (42) *barges through a big hole with Jim Meyer* (66) *set to apply a block.*

1967 NMU STATISTICS

RUSHING	Att.	Net	Avg.	TD
Lonnie Holton	182	786	4.2	9
Jim Lindstrom	85	420	4.9	3
Kent Lefebvre	68	375	5.5	3
Geoff Sitkoski	59	301	5.1	2
Dick Haynes	35	121	3.4	1
Bob Bricco	19	103	5.4	0
Gene Grady	18	76	4.2	0
Jack Spuhler	9	33	3.6	0
Clair Lambert	2	12	6.0	1
Dave Chaput	2	8	4.0	1
Rich McCarthy	5	3	0.6	1
Bob Bertrand	2	2	1.0	0
George Oikarinen	2	2	1.0	0
Mick Natzel	2	−12	−6.0	0
Lloyd Carr	31	−79	−2.5	0

PASSING	Att.	Comp.	Int.	TD	Yds.	Pct.
Lloyd Carr	99	52	9	6	642	.525
Clair Lambert	14	6	2	2	66	.428
Rich McCarthy	3	1	0	1	27	.333
Jesse Jenkins	2	0	0	0	0	.000

INDIVIDUAL SCORING	TD	PAT Att-Made	Field Goal Att-Made	TP
Lonnie Holton	10			60
Gene Grady	0	34-29	5-3	38
Jim Lindstrom	4			24
Phil DePerro	4			24
Jesse Jenkins	3	1-1		20
Kent Lefebvre	3			18
Geoff Sitkoski	3			18
Ron Stump	2			12
Rich McCarthy	1	1-1		8
Dave Chaput	1			6
Rick Ginocchio	1			6
Dick Haynes	1			6
Clair Lambert	1			6
Mick Natzel	1			6
Jack Spuhler	1			6
Abdolali Hashemi	0	1-1	1-0	1

PASS RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD
Jesse Jenkins	16	229	3
Ron Stump	13	222	2
Lonnie Holton	10	134	1
Jim Lindstrom	7	70	1
Mick Natzel	4	48	1
Geoff Sitkoski	3	43	1
Bob Bricco	1	5	0
Dick Haynes	1	2	0
Lloyd Carr	1	0	0
Kent Lefebvre	3	−18	0

1968 NMU SCHEDULE

Sept.	7	Northern Iowa
Sept.	14	At Northwood
Sept.	21	Bemidji State
*Sept.	28	Central Mich. (At Saginaw)
Oct.	5	Open
Oct.	12	At North Texas State
Oct.	19	Quantico Marines
Oct.	26	At Hillsdale
Nov.	2	At Tampa
Nov.	9	At Southern Illinois

*Red Feather Game

1967 NMU RESULTS (9-0-1)

NMU		OPP.
7	Northern Iowa	3
34	Akron	17
33	Bemidji	3
21	Central Michigan	15
35	Hillsdale	8
27	Quantico	0
24	St. Norbert	23
45	Mankato	0
25	North Dakota	6
7	Fairmont State	21

Northern Michigan head coach Rollie Dotsch has a 15-4-1 *record in two seasons at the NMU helm.*

At right, Don Tallman, Northwood

ROLLIE DOTSCH: A STORY OF SUCCESS

Rollie Dotsch has completed two seasons as head football coach at Northern Michigan University, where his Wildcats have compiled a record of 15 wins, four losses and one tie.

After recording a 6-3-1 mark in 1966, his first at NMU, Dotsch coached Northern to a regular season 9-0 record in 1967, the first Wildcat team in history to go through a season unbeaten and untied. His 1967 team, nationally-ranked by the Associated Press, United Press International and the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, was selected as one of four semi-finalists for the NAIA's Champion Bowl, but lost to Fairmont (W. Va.) State 21-7.

Dotsch became head coach at Northern Michigan in the spring of 1966, succeeding F. L. "Frosty" Ferzacca, after serving five seasons as an assistant in the major college ranks.

A graduate of Michigan State Univerity, Dotsch was a football letterman as an interior lineman in 1952-53-54. The Spartans were Big Ten champions in 1953 and went on to defeat UCLA in the Rose Bowl. Dotsch also played in the 1954 Blue-Gray contest.

He earned his master's degree at the University of Michigan, then returned to MSU as a freshman assistant coach before entering the Michigan high school ranks to hold coaching positions at Boyne City and Escanaba.

In 1958 Dotsch made his first stop at Northern Michigan, serving as line coach for three seasons. Wildcat teams won 19, lost eight and tied one during that span, and earned their first berth in the NAIA play-off, "losing" a 20-20 semi-final tie with Lenoir Rhyne on the basis of total offense.

Dotsch left NMU in 1961 to accept a post as defensive backfield coach under Sonny Grandelius at the University of Colorado. UC won the Big Eight title and played in the Orange Bowl that season.

The following season Dotsch joined the staff of Dan Devine at the University of Missouri as offensive line coach, and while there helped ready the 1962 Bluebonnet Bowl team.

Under Dotsch's guidance, Missouri tackle Francis Peay was a first team All-America choice in 1965, and Northern Michigan offensive guard Curt Marker, a fourth round draft pick of the Dallas Cowboys, won Little All-America honors in 1966 and became the first NMU player to participate in the College All-Star game.

The Northern coach was honored by the American Football Coaches Association when he was selected as one of eight finalists for the national small college Coach-of-the-Year award following the 1967 season.

New Coach Don Tallman To Lead Northwood

Northwood Institute's football opponents will face a new coaching strategy, but on the field it will be Hugh Davidson doing the yeoman duty on offense.

As a sophomore scatback, Davidson led the state college scoring derby last year with 17 touchdowns for 102 points. In eight games, he rushed 169 times for more than 1,100 yards. For his efforts, Davidson was named to the all-NAIA district team.

It will be around Davidson that new head football coach Don Tallman will try to build his club.

Tallman, who was assistant football coach at Ferris State College, took over as athletic director and head football coach July 1. He succeeded Louis B. Juillerat, who was named provost of Northwood Institute of Texas.

A 1955 graduate of Hillsdale College, Tallman holds the masters degree in physical education and athletic administration from the University of Michigan. A member of Omicron Delta Kappa, national honorary leadership fraternity, he was among the ten top men in his class at Hillsdale.

Tallman earned 12 letters at Hillsdale, four in football as an end. He was co-captain of the team in his junior year and was selected for the all-league team his senior year. He played on two championship teams, earned four letters in basketball, three in baseball and one in track.

He finished seven years at Ferris State, where he has coached all phases of football. At one time or another he has been in complete charge of offense and defense and has coached both the line and the backfield.

Currently Tallman is Area VI baseball committee man for NAIA, supervising baseball activity in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Michigan. In six years of coaching baseball, he developed three NAIA All-Americans.

Prior to joining the Ferris State coaching staff, Tallman taught from 1958-61 at St. Clair Shores High School where he coached football and baseball. During his administration as athletic director at St. Clair Shores he greatly enlarged the athletic program and increased student participation by 300 per cent.

One big hole to be filled in the line is the one left by Ben Bradley. The 295-pound tackle from Massillon, Ohio, where he was a high school All-American, was also an All-NAIA District Selection last year. He was signed to a professional contract as an offensive tackle by the Montreal Alouettes of the Canadian Football League.

His defensive counterpart for 1967, Pete Donaldson also captured the eye of CFL teams for his outstanding playing. This all adds up to a tough assignment for Tallman to fill the gaps.

1968 NORTHWOOD SCHEDULE

Sept. 14	Northern Michigan	Home
Sept. 21	Open	
Sept. 28	Milton College (Wisconsin)	Away
Oct. 5	University of Tennessee (Martin)	Away
Oct. 12	Central State	Home
Oct. 19	Lincoln University (Missouri)	Away
Oct. 26	Ohio Northern	Away
Nov. 2	Open	
Nov. 9	Hillsdale	Home

WAYNE LAMENT: COME BACK A. J. ALL IS REMEMBERED

WANTED: One quarterback to replace A. J. Vaughn. Apply to Vern Gale at Wayne State University.

This might very well be an advertisement prepared to find a signal-caller to replace Mr. Offense at Wayne State. The Tartar quarterback rewrote the offensive record book in his three-year tenure.

In fact, 1967 was a year that WSU fans will remember for the rewriting of the school records in other departments. In all, 19 records were established during the year as the Tartars rushed to a 7-2 mark.

But all that has to be forgotten—or at least set aside—as another season approaches.

The job to replace Vaughn should fall heir to Alex Tischler. The junior, who led the defense with six pass interceptions last season, will have his hands full.

Vaughn, who prepped at Dearborn Fordson, led the Tartars in 1965 in rushing, punting and total offense from his tailback position. In 1966, he switched to quarterback and led the team in rushing, passing and total offense—a performance he repeated in 1967.

His 555 yards total offense against the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in the opening game of '67 is an NCAA College Division record for total offense in a single game. That day he passed for 284 yards and rushed for 271 more.

The Tartars lost seven men through graduation, including the leading scorer Jeff Cetlinski, a hard-running fullback who tallied 55 points.

One of the key returnees is junior Thomas Wilson, who pushed over seven touchdowns last year. He is joined by another pair of high scoring performers—junior Jim Konopka and senior George Crawford, who scored 36 and 24 points, respectively.

Konopka also led the team in pass receiving yardage. He hauled in 14 catches for 380 yards and six touchdowns.

Wilson was second to Vaughn in rushing last year with 453 yards in 105 carries. Crawford only ran the ball 33 times, but had an average of eight yards a carry.

Tischler, though only seeing limited performance, showed potential as Vaughn's replacement as he connected on nine of 18 passes for 95 yards and two touchdowns.

All told, there are 22 returning lettermen to form the nucleus of the 1968 Tartar team.

This year's schedule is similar to 1967, though Eastern Michigan is missing from it. The same two nemesis clubs from '67—Eastern Illinois and Central Michigan—are on the slate. They are the final two games of the year and are the only two teams to blemish the Tartars' mark last year.

Eastern Michigan boasted an undefeated mark until it fell to the Tartars, 20-3, last fall.

1967 WAYNE STATE STATISTICS

SCORING	TD	EPK	FG	TP
Cetlinski	4	29	1	55
Vaughn	7	1	0	44
Wilson	7	0	0	42
Konopka	6	0	0	36
Crawford	4	0	0	24
Hay	3	0	0	18
Griffith	2	0	0	12
DelCampo	1	0	0	6
Krupski	1	0	0	6
Vilnius	1	0	0	6
Jackson	1	0	0	6
Cortis	1	0	0	6
Breaz	1	0	0	6
Wright	1	0	0	6
Reynaert	0	1	0	1

PASS RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD's
Konopka	14	380	6
Hay	18	253	3
Crawford	16	190	2
Cetlinski	12	135	3
Griffith	3	56	2
DelCampo	3	53	1
Cortis	2	42	1
Boehm	2	37	0
Krupski	3	30	1
Solack	2	29	0
Locke	2	22	0
Vilnius	2	10	0
Jackson	1	5	1
Piersante	1	3	0
Wilson	1	1	0

RUSHING	TC	YG	YL	NET	AVE.	TD
Vaughn	154	923	134	789	5.1	7
Wilson	105	454	1	453	4.3	7
Cetlinski	87	425	16	409	4.7	1
Crawford	33	276	9	267	8.0	1
Vilnius	26	88	1	87	3.3	1
Tischler	12	71	26	45	3.7	0
Piersante	4	18	0	18	2.5	0
Taft	10	25	8	17	1.7	0
Wright	8	17	2	15	1.8	0
Solack	2	12	0	12	6.0	0
Fryling	6	13	2	11	1.8	0
Morris	2	9	0	9	4.5	0
Griffith	1	4	0	4	4.0	0

PASSING	ATT	COMP	PCT	INT	YDS	TD
Vaughn	142	67	47	6	1093	17
Tischler	18	9	50	2	95	2
Thompson	11	5	46	2	92	1
Fryling	5	1	20	1	8	0

Gale's '67 Tarters Were Best In 33 Years

Wayne State University head football coach Vern Gale has spent all of his post-college life in coaching with more than half of that time as a head coach. In nine years, six Gale teams at Valley City (N. D.) State College and three WSU teams have totaled an overall 35-28-5 record.

The starting wingback on unbeaten Wyoming's powerful Gator Bowl team of 1950, Gale started his coaching career as an assistant at his alma mater following Marine Corps duty from 1951-53.

Gale served one year as an assistant to coach Phil Dickens while he completed his degree as the service stint had interrupted his degree progress.

In 1954, Gale took the Valley City job where he found a team hit hard by graduation and the service draft. He forged a 7-1-0 record that first year and took the first of two conference titles.

Gale moved on to Iowa State in 1960 and served two years as freshman coach before being added to the varsity staff of coach Clay Stapleton. He came to WSU in 1965, replacing Stan Marshall who had fielded a conference champion in 1964 with a senior-dominated team.

The 1965 Tartars were 3-4-1 under Gale, but were never out of any game with a team that depended on underclassmen heavily. The freshman-sophomore dominated 1966 squad posted a 2-6 record. In 1967 Gale led his Tartar team to a 7-2-0 record—best in 33 years at WSU.

Now 39, Gale is an assistant professor at WSU and is also the school's coordinator of athletics with major responsibility for the athletic program under Dr. Richard C. Havel, director of the division of health and physical education. He accepted this additional assignment in the spring of 1966. It has been through a large part of his off-the-field efforts that WSU will begin work on the football stadium expected to be ready this fall.

Gale has had coaching experience in baseball, wrestling, basketball and swimming, giving him an extensive knowledge about a large athletic program such as WSU's 11-sport alignment. He also taught both theory and skills courses in the area of physical education.

As a collegian, he averaged more than seven yards per carry in three varsity seasons at Wyoming and the Cheyenne (Wyo.) native carries that Winged-T attack as his basic striking offense. the WSU system depends on quickness and agility with concentrated power. Basically a ground-attack club, the WSU team will pass as much as necessary. Prominent in the WSU style is the kicking game in all its phases—field goals and extra point placements, kick-offs, punts and the colorful quick-kick. His system also stresses defense.

WAYNE COACHING STAFF: Back row, l-r: Bob Hurley, Leroy Pindara, Frank Vetter, Dave Hoover. Front row, l-r: Bob Schroder, Vern Gale, Ron Van Ermen, Enrico Odorico.

1968 WSU SCHEDULE

Sept.	21	Michigan Tech
Sept.	28	Temple
Oct.	4	At Illinois (Chicago Circle)
Oct.	12	At Ferris State
Oct.	19	Augstana
Oct.	26	Washington (St. Louis)
Nov.	2	Washington and Jefferson
Nov.	9	Eastern Illinois
Nov.	16	At Central Mich.

1967 WSU RESULTS (7-2-0)

WSU		OPP
48	Michigan Tech	7
39	UW-Milwaukee	31
31	UI-Chicago Circle	6
27	Ferris State	13
49	Western Reserve	20
20	Eastern Michigan	3
47	Case Tech	18
14	Eastern Illinois	20
0	Central Michigan	34

George Crawford speeds for a 36-yard gain against Eastern Michigan last fall. Tartars won the heralded contest, 20-3.

LIONS ROAR CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM

A long search for a break-away ball carrier was fulfilled in 1967 with a brilliant performance by rookie Mel Farr who broke into the NFL with a bang . . . including 860 yards on the ground and another 317 as a receiver.

Another rookie—Nick Eddy of Notre Dame—was expected to add his speed and agility to the Detroit backfield. But a knee injury which required surgery kept him sidelined all season. He has progressed well and is expected to make a delayed bid for a starting slot.

Eddy is ready. So is Farr, the NFL's Rookie-of-the-Year and the fifth best ground gainer.

Big Tom Nowatzke is back for his fourth season as the pulverizer along with another veteran in Amos Marsh. They are the backfield "bulls". Marsh has gained 1,157 yards in three Lion seasons while Nowatzke has accounted for 873 over the same span.

Fleet Bobby Felts, another speedster, also returns, but is being challenged by Dave Kopay, acquired in the off-season from the San Francisco 49ers.

Kopay is a strong runner and a fine blocker with speed and pass-catching abilities.

Thanks to Farr's brilliant break-in season and marked improvement in the offensive line, the Lions' rushing attack ranked No. 3 in the league. The passing game was a different story; one that is looking for a brighter, more-interesting chapter in 1968.

Both quarterbacks—Milt Plum and Karl Sweetan—had mediocre seasons. Despite some standout games, they were able to generate a passing attack which accounted for only 1,631 yards. The previous year they collaborated for 2,752 yards.

Bill Munson, obtained from the Rams in a major swap during the off-season, is expected to get a serious challenge for the No. 1 quarterback job from Sweetan, who is starting his third season.

The departure of flanker Pat Studstill and running back Tommy Watkins opens up two spots in the offense which must be filled. Studstill saw limited service last year and caught just ten passes. Coach Joe Schmidt plans to give Johnny Robinson, injured last season, a strong shot at the flanker position. Then there is Earl McCullouch, speedy track and football star from USC, plus several other candidates.

The punting duties previously handled by Studstill are expected to go to Lem Barney, who took over when Studstill was injured last season. Rookie Jerry DePoyster of Wyoming also will be groomed.

Bill Malinchak made strong progress with 26 receptions for 397 yards and four scores as a professional sophomore. Veterans Gail Cogdill, Ron Kramer and Jim Gibbons . . . plus John Henderson and Robinson . . . are all headed for another year.

They will be pressed by a clutch of rookies including speedster McCullouch of USC, tight end Charlie Sanders of Minnesota, quick-moving Rich Davis of Upsala and an ex-Marine out of Brigham Young University named Phil Odle, who grabbed 183 passes in three collegiate seasons.

Two rookie quarterbacks—Greg Landry of Massachusetts and Greg Barton of Tulsa—were acquired in the recent draft. Landry, at 6-4 and 205 pounds, was the Lions' No. 1 choice off a collegiate career in which he gained 4,763 yards with 3,131 coming on 242 pass completions. Tim Jones, a member of the Detroit cab squad last year, also is returning.

The offensive line, bolstered in '67 by tackle Charlie Bradshaw and guard Chuck Walton, did an outstanding job despite the early loss of tackle Roger Shoals who was off to his finest season when he banged up a knee.

Shoals is ready again and will battle Bill Cottrell for the tackle berth on the other side of Bradshaw. John Gordy, one of the better veteran guards, and steady Ed Flanagan, a solid center, are the other starters.

DePoyster moves in as an offensive addition. Jerry kicked 36 field goals in three seasons for an NCAA record, scored 182 points on his toe (another collegiate mark) and averaged 41.7 yards as a punter. Ten of his field goals were 40 yards or longer while six of those ranged from 51 to 54 yards.

The backbone of the Detroit defense still is intact. Tackle Alex Karris had one of his finest seasons last year while Jerry Rush played the other slot in solid and aggressive style.

Moving in at defensive end as counterpart of Larry Hand, who also had a spectacular '67 season, is a veteran from the Pittsburgh Steelers in the 6-6, 270-pound form of John Baker.

Baker is 32, was defensive captain of the Steelers and is recognized as one of the strongest ends in the league, with good speed on the pass rush.

Baker's addition will beef up the defensive line which ranked No. 4 in the league last year in allowing enemy yardage, a jump from 12th place the previous season.

Barney, a rookie sensation in the secondary, will be back to take up where he left off. Lem intercepted ten passes to tie for the league leadership and returned three of them for touchdowns to equal the NFL record.

Veteran Dick LeBeau returns to the other cornerback slot while Tommy Vaughn, Bruce Maher and Wayne Rasmussen will battle it out for the safety positions.

Veterans Mike Lucci and Wayne Walker provide two-thirds of the starting linebacker corps with young Paul

LION SCHEDULE 1968

Sept. 15—at Dallas	1:30
Sept. 22—Chicago	1:15
Sept. 29—at Green Bay	1:00
Oct. 6—Minnesota	1:15
Oct. 13—at Chicago	1:00
Oct. 20—Green Bay	1:15
Oct. 27—San Francisco	1:15
Nov. 3—at Los Angeles	1:00
Nov. 10—Baltimore	1:15
Nov. 17—at Minnesota	3:00
Nov. 24—New Orleans	1:15
Nov. 28—Philadelphia	12:15
Dec. 8—at Atlanta	1:15
Dec. 15—at Washington	1:15

Playing left cornerback, one of the toughest spots in football and especially so for a rookie, Detroit's Lem Barney, (Jackson (Miss.) State,) could hardly have done better. He tied for first in league in interceptions with ten and three were for touchdowns, which equalled an NFL record. He was voted league's defensive rookie of the year. Here he is shown leaping high and registering his third interception of the quarter against the Minnesota Vikings.

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Naumoff, a 1967 rookie, slated for action at the third spot. John McCambridge, at 6-4, 245, was used at defensive end in his rookie season, but is scheduled for a shot as linebacker.

Rookies Ed Mooney (6-2, 238) and Terry Miller (6-2, 223) come into camp with strong collegiate records as linebackers —Mooney from Texas Tech and Miller from Illinois. Another pair of rookies will get a shot at defensive end. They are Mike Spitzer of San Jose State and Bob Rokita of Arizona State.

1967 LION STATISTICS

PASSING	Att	Comp	Ave	Yds	I	TD
Plum	172	86	50.0	925	8	4
Sweetan	177	74	41.8	901	11	10
Farr	2	0	0.0	0	0	0

RUSHING	Att	Yds	Ave	TD
Farr	206	860	4.2	3
Watkins	106	361	3.4	4
Nowatzke	70	288	4.1	4
Marsh	58	229	3.9	2
Sweetan	17	93	5.5	1
Felts	10	66	6.6	0
Plum	6	5	0.8	0
Flanagan	0	5	—	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds	Ave	TD
Farr	39	317	8.1	3
Malinchak	26	397	15.3	4
Cogdill	21	321	15.3	1
Nowatzke	21	145	6.9	2
Henderson	13	144	11.1	0
Studstill	10	162	16.2	2
Gibbons	10	107	10.7	0
Watkins	8	93	11.6	1

SCORING	TD	TD-R	TD-P	EP	FG	FGA	SAF	PTS
Farr	6	3	3	0	0	0	0	36
Nowatzke	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	36
Watkins	5	4	1	0	0	0	0	30
Yepremian	0	0	0	22	2	6	0	28
Walker	0	0	0	11	5	15	0	26
Malinchak	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	24
Barney	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	18
Marsh	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	18
Hand	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	12
Studstill	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	12
Cogdill	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6
Sweetan	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Lucci	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Maher	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2

"Magnetic" Mel Farr, the Detroit Lions' No. 1 draft choice in '67, always seemed to have an attraction for the goal line. Here Mel is shown eluding the grasps of a Chicago Bear defender as he picks up some of the 860 yards on 206 attempts he gained on the way to NFL Rookie-of-the-Year honors. The former UCLA All-American lived up to all his advance billings as a runner and receiver (39 for 317 yards).

COACH JOE SCHMIDT:

"As a rookie head coach last year, I had the following goals in mind as we went into training camp:

"1—To instill into every player the basic feeling of being proud that he was a member of the Detroit Lions.

"2—To put new teeth into our running game.

"3—To re-vitalize a defense which had been showing signs of deterioration.

"4—and, of course, to head us back up the winning trail.

"I frankly feel that we took big strides towards accomplishing all four main objectives. Not that we are happy about our won-lost record. We never will be until we win a championship. But we improved on it. We are headed in the right direction. That direction is up.

"I can't fault our team's desire last year. While we made many mistakes, they were the honest kind. Every man gave us his best shot. We are getting the effort. But we must eliminate the mistakes.

"At the same time, we must improve on our passing attack. We had passes over-thrown, under-thrown, dropped, fumbled and otherwise messed up. This part of our game will be our No. 1 target for 1968.

"We must upgrade it to the same extent that we improved our running attack last year. We ranked 13th in the NFL as a rushing team in 1966. We jumped all the way to 3rd place in 1967.

"Rookie Mel Farr was one big reason. He did a fantastic job as a first-year man. Our offensive line was another prime factor in such improvement. It contained the enemy rush so well that our quarterbacks were dropped just 24 times. That was the second lowest mark in the league.

"Another rookie, Lem Barney, put a fresh bite into our defense. We returned six interceptions for touchdowns and ranked second in the NFL in that department, too. We jumped from 12th in 1966 to fourth place in opponents' yardage gained, were second in yielding pass yardage, third

in giving up first downs and were No. 1 in having fewest passes completed against us.

"We are looking for Nick Eddy to give us added offensive attack after missing all of last year by injury. We have a strong crop of draftees coming into camp. We have added two talented veterans in John Baker, a defensive end, and Dave Kopay, a running back.

"We know we still have a long way to go. But it is shorter than it was a year ago. We definitely feel we are on the way and getting stronger each year."

MUNSON'S THE ONE!

The Lions acquired quarterback Bill Munson from the Rams in a major trade involving three Detroit veterans, and a swap of draft choices last May.

The Rams gave up Munson and a third round draft selection in exchange for quarterback Milt Plum, flanker Pat Studstill and running back Tommy Watkins, plus Detroit's No. 1 draft choice in 1969.

Munson turns 27 this August, while Plum is 33. Watkins will be 31 in October and Studstill was 30 this June.

Munson played with the Rams last season under the option portion of his contract. Four other NFL teams were trying to deal with the Rams for him this year.

"We had to give up a lot to get him," said head coach Joe Schmidt. "But I definitely felt that we needed a new quarterback and in my book, Munson was the best one available. We had been working on this deal for more than three months and finally put it all together.

"Munson had two excellent years as a starter before he was injured and replaced by Roman Gabriel. He is young. He is rated a very intelligent quarterback, a fine leader, a good play-caller and a real good passer.

"We realize that we have given the Rams some players who will help them this year. But we are in a rebuilding program with the accent on younger men. I feel that Bill is talented enough to step right into our line-up and stay there for a long time."

Detroit's passing game last season produced a gain totaling 1,826 yards. This was a 33 per cent drop from the previous season, when passes accounted for 2,752 yards. As a result, Detroit's passing game rated 13th in the 16-team National Football League.

Munson came out of Utah State as the Rams' No. 1 draft choice in 1963 after he had completed a great collegiate season in which he had only three of his passes intercepted. He was named the outstanding back in the Senior Bowl and also played in the East-West Shrine Game.

He moved into the Los Angeles line-up as a rookie and performed so well that he was named to the NFL All-Rookie team with 108 completions in 223 attempts for 1,533 yards and nine touchdowns. As a professional sophomore, he was on the sensational side.

In that season (1965), Bill hit on 144 of 267 passes for a solid .539 percentage. His passes gained 1,701 yards with ten aerials going for touchdowns. He had 14 passes picked off.

He missed the final four games in 1965 with a knee operation. When the next year came around, Munson was set back by a seige of illness at the start of training camp. It hit him again in mid-season. He surrendered his starting job to Gabriel.

Munson was born in Sacramento and went to Lodi (Calif.) High School and to Foothill Junior College before enrolling at Utah State. He and wife, Beverly, have two sons, Tommy 6 and Terry, 4.

In four seasons with the Rams, two as a starter, his record stands at 287 completions in 550 attempts for a .522 com-

Taking one away from Bob Jeter (21), *Green Bay's cornerback, is Bill Malinchak* (81), *Detroit Lions' split end. Malinchak was the Lions' No.* 2 *receiver with* 26 *receptions for* 397 *yards and four touchdowns. The former Indiana Hoosier star rates an excellent chance to become a NFL standout.*

Larry Hand (74), *Detroit Lions'* 6*-foot-*4, 245*-pound defensive end, seems to have Terry Nofsinger, Atlanta Falcons' quarterback, in his sights. The Lions clipped the wings of the Falcons,* 24-3 *at Tiger Stadium, before a crowd of* 50,601. *Hand, a four-letter man from Appalachian State. is in his fourth year with the Lions.*

1967 LION ROOKIE STARS RETURN

Mel Farr

Lem Barney

pletion percentage. His yardage total is 3,556 with 22 touchdowns. In 1965, before he was injured, he completed 27 passes in one game against the Chicago Bears, a Ram high-water mark over the past 15 years.

Plum, 33, came to Detroit from Cleveland in 1962 along with Watkins and lineman Dave Lloyd in a swap for Jim Ninowski, Bill Glass and Howard (Hopalong) Cassady.

His biggest afternoon with the Lions was against the Rams, his new team, in 1964, when he completed 16 passes in 24 attempts for 347 yards and three touchdowns.

An 11-year NFL veteran, Plum played six years in Detroit and alternated last season with Karl Sweetan. In 1967, he completed 86 of 172 passes for 925 yards and four touchdowns with eight interceptions.

Plum ranked 14th on the list of NFL passers last season. Sweetan was rated No. 18. Between them, they completed 160 of 349 passes for a .452 percentage.

Studstill came to the Lions in 1961 as a free agent from the University of Houston. He had his big year in 1966 when he caught 67 passes for 1,266 yards before injury hobbled him practically all of last season.

He caught only ten passes for 162 yards. A severe muscle-pull limited his action. He was put on the injured list for the final two games of the year. His 44.5 yard punting average on 36 kicks was not enough to qualify him for punting recognition under NFL rules.

His six-year pro record, all with the Lions, stands at 153 receptions for 2,452 yards and 15 touchdowns.

Watkins came back last season after missing the entire previous year of 1966 with a knee operation. He had his biggest day as a pro in the second game last season against the Browns, when he rushed 24 times for 115 yards and scored twice. He wound up with a rushing total of 361 yards for a 3.4 yard average.

Tommy led the NFL in kick-off returns in 1965, after being the top man in punt returns the previous season. Last year he returned 15 punts for a 3.8 yard average and 20 kick-offs for 411 yards.

MUNSON'S CAREER RECORD:

NFL Totals (4 years, all LOS ANGELES)

YEAR	ATT	COMP	AVE.	YDS	TD	INT
1964	223	108	48.4	1533	9	15
1965	267	144	53.9	1701	10	14
1966	50	30	60.0	284	2	1
1967	10	5	50.0	38	1	2
Total	550	287	52.2	3556	22	32

"Father, please hear our prayer. Send us a couple of good players, so we can get up off our knees—once more. Amen," humbly sighed a Detoit Lion official sometime late in 1966.

From behind the cotton curtain of the deep south and the glamorous far west came two young collegiate football players to answer this fervent prayer.

Together they stemmed a tidal wave that threatened to engulf the Lions and wash them right out of pro football and into Davey Jones' locker in one ebb tide.

Calmly riding the crest of this drowning wave was a Gulf State, Mississippi river boat gambler and a west coast surfer from sunny California.

The Mississippi river boat gambler was known only by those men behind the pro grid scene, while the boulevardier was heralded from coast to coast for his dashing exploits.

They were Lem Barney, the south's answer to Dick (Night Train) Lane and the mod styled jet-setter, Mel Farr, who could very well be another Gale Sayers.

It was this dynamic duo that altered the downhill destiny of the once vaunted Lions, who seemed bent on becoming the bedrock dwellers of the National Football League.

Barney, who was the Lions' No. 2 prayerful selection from Jackson State College, is a powerful 6-foot, 190-pound defensive back with that sixth sense that all great athletes seem to possess.

Voted to the All-Southwestern Conference team three straight seasons, he set a school record for interceptions with a three year total of 26, including 11 his senior year, after nine in 1965 and six as a sophomore.

"Stroll," as Barney was called by his teammates at Jackson State, made a determined bid for rookie defensive honors right from the opening day game and never faltered.

But it remained for his heroics on the last day of the regular season to earn him the label of the best defensive rookie in the NFL.

Almost single-handedly, he beat the Minnesota Vikings, 14-3, at Tiger Stadium, with three interceptions, returning one 71 yards for a touchdown and setting up a second score with another.

The touchdown was Barney's third with an interception during the year, tying an NFL record held by two other players. The three interceptions gave him a total of ten for the season, which tied him for the league lead.

Farr, a 6-foot-2, 210-pound running back, was the Lions' No. 1 prayer beads selection from UCLA. Magnetic Mel was an All-American choice in 1965 and 1966. He gained 1,716 yards rushing for the Bruins in three seasons.

His sure, positive, long, loping strides took him up near the head of the rushing list before the season had really warmed up, and he hung within the top three or four until an ankle injury sidelined him for a short period.

He marked his return to the starting line-up with a record outburst of 197 yards against the Vikings in Minnesota, a rushing achievement that proved unbeatable for the rest of the 1967 season.

The "magnetic" one finished the season fifth among the league's leading rushers with a total of 860 yards on 206 attempts for a 4.2 average and three touchdowns.

As a receiver he caught 39 for 317 yards and three touchdowns to lead the Lions in this department. His six TD's tied him with fullback Tom Nowatzke for the team scoring lead with 36 points.

Now, that prayerful Lion official is hoping that the 1968 AFL-NFL player selections will turn up another all-pro duo like they had with Barney and Farr—the touchdown twins.

Head Coach Joe Schmidt

Alex Karras

Charley Bradshaw

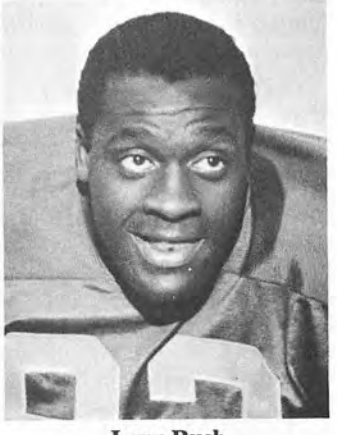
Nick Eddy

Ed Flanagan

Dick LeBeau

Mike Lucci

Bill Malinchak



Jerry Rush

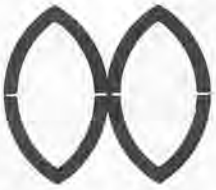
John Baker

Wayne Walker

Paul Naumoff

Tom Nowatzke

Pontiac Best Bet For '68 MFL Title



The dawn of the 1968 season brings to the Midwest Football League new players, new coaches, new teams and new innovations. It adds to the ultimate goal of a more exciting and wide-open type game for fans.

The MFL, which originated in 1962, has steadily progressed to a point where the NFL and AFL clubs are in constant touch with the league office in search of talent. The two-fold purpose of the league is to offer fans top-notch football at a reasonable price.

The majority of games are scheduled on Saturday nights at 7:30, so as not to conflict with college games on Saturday afternoons, or with the NFL and AFL games played on Sunday. The MFL is not competing with the NFL or AFL, but is a feeder or "minor league" system for the big league pro clubs.

The Detroit Lions have worked closely with the MFL, sending along many of their "taxi squad" players. Karl Sweetan (who later became the top quarterback with the Lions), Tom Myers, Jim Edgerly and Frank Marsh are players who were under NFL contracts and played regularly in the MFL. Last fall, quarterback Tim Jones played eight games with the Pontiac Firebirds, and narrowly missed guiding them to a league title in their first season of play.

The league is now working with the Green Bay Packers, Cleveland Browns, Buffalo Bills, Chicago Bears and Pittsburgh Steelers in an attempt to get their taxi squad players assigned to various teams in the MFL.

A few outstanding MFL players have been Steve Juday, former Michigan State All-American quarterback, Tom Cecchini and Craig Kirby, Michigan All-Americans (both played with Ypsilanti in 67), Pete Mikolajewski, quarterback from Dayton, Tony Odneal, '67 MFL most valuable player from the Arrows (both tried out with the Lions in '67), Chuck McElligott, flanker from Dayton who is a Lion rookie, Jerry Brown, Bill Apisa and Dan LaRose, the first draft choice of the Lions in 1961. He played seven years with the NFL and AFL teams.

In addition to outstanding players, the list of big name coaches continues to grow Earl "Jug" Girard, former Green Bay Packer and Lion star, has retired from coaching and is replaced by Chuck Shonta at Ypsilanti. Shonta retired after a fine eight year AFL career.

Tom Tracy, former Lion, Pittsburgh Steeler and Washington Redskin great, is back as head coach of the Pontiac Firebirds. He has a staff of assistants that make even the NFL-AFL clubs raise their eyebrows.

Walt Kowalczyk, All-American halfback at Michigan State, who played with Philadelphia, Dallas and Detroit, again returns as an assistant.

An NFL immortal will help Tracy develop the Firebird backfield—Doak Walker, the legendary halfback who starred with Bobby Lane in the Lion championship era, and was a recent addition to the Michigan Sports Hall of Fame.

With the Michigan Arrows moving to the Continental League, Pontiac appears to have the inside track as favorites to win the NFL title, if it can find a capable quarterback.

The Dayton Colts, recently purchased by a group of Ohio businessmen, should be strong contenders. Coach Ed McCracken has a finely balanced team, with quarterback Pete Mikolajewski, halfback Roosevelt Mell and flanker Chuck McElligott leading the way (if they aren't playing in NFL or AFL uniforms by the start of the season). 1968 marks Dayton's 16th season of operation.

Flint coach Len Christenson has many new prospects, and could bring the title to the football conscious automobile city. Flint was a vastly improved team in the latter stages of last season, and needs only a quarterback and help in the defensive backfield to be a threat.

The Ypsilanti Vikings will be playing their home games at Eastern Michigan University. With former EMU great Chuck Shonta the new head coach, Ypsi undoubtedly will be tough.

Detroit owner John Gasparetto has moved the Steeler franchise to Hamtramck. A new nickname (Chargers), new colors and a fine stadium with a seating capacity of over 12,000 are new features of Gasparetto's '68 club. With many new players and a new coach (Ed Olenski, former grid star at Alabama and with the Detroit Lions in 1947), it looks like a fine season ahead for the hungry Chargers.

One of the two new entries in the league is Lackawanna, N.Y. The Steelers have been in operation since 1961, playing in the Western New York League. In the last seven seasons, the Steelers have a 54-17-2 record. Lackawanna is a suburb of Buffalo and has several players on its roster who have played with the Buffalo Bills.

The Michigan Arrows franchise was sold to an established football organization in Fort Wayne, Ind., headed by Robert Stevens.

MFL Establishing Itself With New Innovations, Good Framework

In a move to put more excitement into MFL games, the league eliminated the point after touchdown kick for the '68 season. The team scoring a touchdown must attempt to run the extra point over from the two yardline. The move is intended to lessen the chances of tie games, and offer more excitement. The National and American Football Leagues experimented with the rule during their exhibition games.

With the comfort of the fans in mind, the league starts play this season one month earlier, thus ending scheduled play the first week in November. Michigan November weather has often proved to be a nemesis to games and fans in the past.

NFL rules are followed. The league officiating is done by officials who must be registered with the Michigan High School Athletic Association. League chief of officials Ted Piascik screens all officials thoroughly.

With new teams, new coaches, new players and cooperation from both the NFL and AFL in sending their players to various league teams, the MFL should have a wild and exciting 1968 season.

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1) *An Ypsilanti runner brushes off a Pontiac would-be tackler and heads for a gain, with other Firebird players in hot pursuit.*

2) *Three Lansing defenders vainly try to block a Flint punt in action from game last season at Lansing, won by Flint,* 8-0.

1967 MFL Review

For the third straight year, the Michigan Arrows captured the Midwest Football League championship. Coach Lisle Wells' club always seemed to rise up to win the crucial game, and did it with great balance on both offense and defense. Although the championship was not settled until the final game, the Arrows left no doubt that they deserved the title, rolling over coach Ed McCracken's Dayton Colts, 53-18, to avenge their only loss of the season, to the fine Ohio club.

The statistics told the story. The Arrows had three men in the top eight scorers; three out of the top five rushers; two out of the top five passers; and two out of the top five receivers. To complement the offense, the defense allowed only 83 points in 12 games, an average of less than seven points a game.

Coach Tom Tracy and his Pontiac Firebirds, after losing two of the first three games, won nine straight to finish second with a 10-2 record.

The Dayton Colts and the Ypsilanti Vikings tied for third, each at 7-5. McCracken had several outstanding individuals, especially in the backfield, and was in contention most of the season. Considered by many as a pre-season contender, coach Jug Gerard's Vikings needed only a little more balance to win it all.

The Flint Wildcats franchise changed hands just as the season began, and coach Bob Suci fielded a much-improved team at season's end.

Emil Kletke's Lansing All Stars ran into a manpower problem due to an abnormal amount of injuries. This hindered the club's chances.

The Detroit Steelers had internal problems, but coach Les Hawkins managed to come up with several strong games, one against the Arrows.

It was a very successful season for the MFL, its sixth of operation. Attendance was at an all-time high. The league had numerous American and National Football League teams interested in individual players on several teams, and scouts attended many games.

The league's Most Valuable Player was Tony Odneal of the Arrows.

1968 MFL Schedule

1968

Saturday, August 3
Lackawanna at Ft. Wayne
Ypsilanti at Flint
Pontiac at Hamtramck

Saturday, August 10
Flint at Pontiac
Ypsilanti at Dayton
Ft. Wayne at Hamtramck

Saturday, August 17
Pontiac at Dayton
Lackawanna at Ypsilanti
Hamtramck at Flint

Saturday, August 24
Ft. Wayne at Flint
Dayton at Hamtramck
Pontiac at Lackawanna

Saturday, August 31
Flint at Dayton
Lackawanna at Hamtramck
Ft. Wayne at Ypsilanti

Saturday, September 7
Ypsilanti at Pontiac
Ft. Wayne at Dayton
Lackawanna at Flint

Saturday, September 14
Pontiac at Ft. Wayne
Lackawanna at Dayton
Hamtramck at Ypsilanti

Saturday, September 21
Hamtramck at Pontiac
Flint at Ypsilanti
Ft. Wayne at Lackawanna

Saturday, September 28
Hamtramck at Ft. Wayne
Dayton at Ypsilanti
Pontiac at Flint

Saturday, October 5
Dayton at Pontiac
Flint at Hamtramck
Ypsilanti at Lackawanna

Saturday, October 12
Flint at Ft. Wayne
Hamtramck at Dayton
Lackawanna at Pontiac

Saturday, October 19
Dayton at Flint
Ypsilanti at Ft. Wayne
Hamtramck at Lackawanna

Saturday, October 26
Pontiac at Ypsilanti
Dayton at Ft. Wayne
Flint at Lackawanna

Saturday, November 2
Ft. Wayne at Pontiac
Ypsilanti at Hamtramck
Dayton at Lackawanna

November 9th—Play-off date if necessary
November 16th—All Star 1968 Game
Starting time of all games—7:30 P.M.

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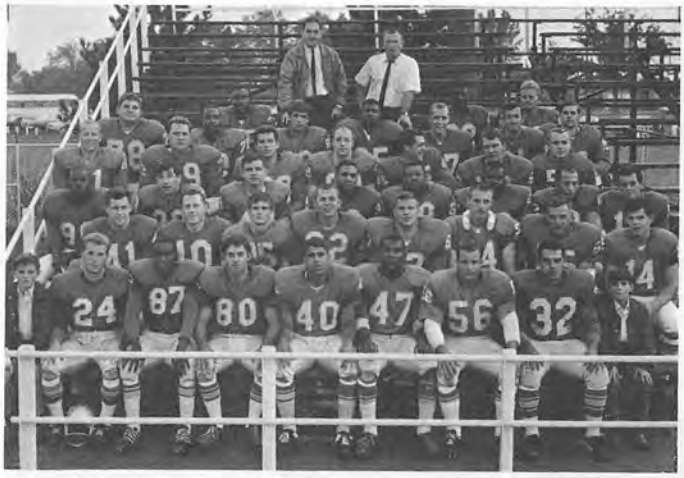

THE 1967 MFL CHAMPION MICHIGAN ARROWS

(Front row, left to right): Waterboy, Mike LaCroix, Gene Luppino, Don Sims, Joe Schmoke, John Psaila, Chris Fowler, Len Kiefel, Gary Stempian and ball boy Jeff LaCroix.

Second row: Tom Kelly, Pat Brown, John Earles, Ralph Miller, Bob Koval, Jim Gillespie, Steve Szabo and Bill Leonard.

Third row: Gerald Sampson, Steve Rogin, Jim Johnson, Jim Willis, Clem Robinson, Jerry Brown, Art Traylor, and Ron Bishop.

Fourth row: Larry Carpenter, Ron McCleese, Len Centala, Dick Storms, Bruce Hatcher, Dave Thomann and Bill Troy.

Fifth row: Chuck VanRobays, Chico Johnson, Eric Hatcher, Tony Odneal, Tom DeLamielleure, Jim Zelmanski and Larry Allen.

Sixth row: Bob Micheau, Chuck Fobbs and George Harper.

Standing: Coaches Russ LaCroix and Lisle Wells.

Players not pictured: Bill Feddeler, Mike Maul, Denny Allen, Larry Fowler and LeRoy Manual.

1967 *Ypsilanti quarterback Steve Juday, former Michigan State All-American, sets to throw a pass in action against Flint last season in game played in Ypsilanti.*

Flint had good offensive line play during the '67 season. Here a Flint runner gets excellent blocking as he moves for a gain against Lansing last fall in game played in Flint.

Pontiac coach Tom Tracy

Dayton coach Ed McCracken

Former Pontiac quarterbacks Bill Harrington and Karl Sweetan take a breather during a game. Sweetan, of course, went on to be a top quarterback with the Detroit Lions.

1967 MFL Standings

	W	L	T	PF	PA
Michigan Arrows	11	1	0	448	83
Pontiac Firebirds	10	2	0	323	156
Dayton Colts	7	5	0	277	171
Ypsilanti Vikings	7	5	0	234	141
Flint Wildcats	3	7	1	162	256
Lansing All Stars	2	9	0	67	329
Detroit Steelers	0	10	1	37	375

'67 LEADERS

SCORING	TD	PAT	FG	TP
Odneal—Arrows	15	6	0	96
McElligott—Dayton	15	0	0	90
West—Pontiac	14	0	0	84
Mell—Dayton	12	0	0	72
Kirby—Ypsilanti	10	0	0	60
Willis—Arrows	9	2	0	56
Malatin—Pontiac	9	0	0	54
Kelly—Arrows	8	0	0	48

RUSHING	Att	Yds	Long	Avg	TD
Mell—Dayton	179	809	36	4.5	12
Odneal—Arrows	90	526	56	5.8	10
Apisa—Pontiac	75	432	29	5.7	6
Willis—Arrows	84	396	53	4.7	6
Mischeau—Arrows	67	310	38	4.6	6
Campbell—Ypsilanti	70	251	41	3.7	2

PASSING	Att	Comp	Yds	Long	TD
Mikolajewski—Dayton	287	135	1997	47	18
Juday—Ypsilanti	388	139	1947	93	18
Brown—Arrows	138	67	1450	80	18
Jones—Pontiac	104	54	1118	82	17
Bishop—Arrows	61	27	449	65	10

RECEIVING	No	Yds	TD
Kirby—Ypsilanti	46	1065	10
McElligott—Dayton	78	1152	12
West—Pontiac	34	774	14
Kelly—Arrows	23	415	8
Odneal—Arrows	22	477	5

INTERCEPTIONS	No	Yds	Avg	TD
Pelham—Ypsilanti	7	195	28	1
Luppino—Arrows	7	184	26	1
Thornton—Dayton	6	133	25	2
Stein—Pontiac	6	49	8	0
Fobbs—Arrows	5	58	10	1
Sullivan—Flint	4	45	11	1

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A Michigan Football Editorial

It is gratifying to see people stick their financial necks out to help sports in today's money-conscious world, and the men who are behind the Midwest Football League are to be doubly commended.

It is often heard that the so-called "football states" are Texas, Pennsylvania, Ohio and California. Michigan occasionally is mentioned and the Midwest Football League, which began operation in 1962, has endured for five years through alternate periods of thick and thin.

The league controllers believed minor league football could exist successfully in this state and thousands of their dollars have been poured into those beliefs. Michigan, they felt, was enough of a football state that it could soundly and successfully support a budding new professional league.

But this season, the league has two more out-of-state franchises in its seven team set-up, as Lansing and the league champion Michigan Arrows succumbed to various pitfalls, the chief one being lack of attendance and support.

The Lansing case is the most pitiful. Coach Emil Kletke's team was not a successful winner, but the dedicated Kletke went beyond the call of duty to keep his team on the field, going so far as to suit up and play himself when injuries thinned the ranks. Kletke appealed for more players and received little help.

He appealed for public support and received little response. The local papers gave the team very little play and fewer than 200 fans showed up for the games in a modern, well-lit, adequate stadium.

It's even more pitiful when one considers Lansing's metropolitan population of over 150,000 people. If Lansing can't support professional football, what other state city can?

The Arrows moved into sound Fort Wayne, Ind., and that city has accepted the challenge of keeping the team there with open arms.

Lackawanna, N. Y., a team from the Western New York League with a very successful history, replaces Lansing.

The Detroit franchise has moved into Hamtramck, hoping for better fortunes.

Pontiac has done a splendid job and that city supports football very well. MFL owners hope other cities follow suit.

If the MFL is to remain in Michigan, people must start supporting it, as the generous owners are. There is no great deal of money to be made by any individuals. The owners run the show because they enjoy the sport and like to see it active in their respective communities.

Losing dedicated men like Emil Kletke will continue to happen unless Michigan fans start supporting their teams.

The MFL has fine players, outstanding coaches, reasonably priced ticket rates, good stadiums and sound conditions for conducting a successful league. Now all that remains is for the fans to follow suit.

The MFL games are well played, exciting to watch and played in excellent facilities. Flint for instance, is playing its home games this season at Flint's Atwood Stadium, on the fabulous new Astro-Turf, one of only three such football playing surfaces in the country.

MFL players are some of the most dedicated anywhere. They make peanuts per game and they play only because they love the game and want to play.

There is no such thing in the MFL as "pro football greed", because there is no way great sums of money can be made. The people involved run the shows because of a common love for football.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL IN MICHIGAN

It is an awesome task to compile, sort, write and edit the high school section and make it presentable in the relatively short amount of time we had.

Because we wanted the best reports on the teams possible, we surveyed each coach for his opinion and comments about his team's chances for the coming season.

You always get some coaches who either can't read, don't want to, or don't care to assist in publicity for their team.

We found this true of some 100 such coaches. But the other 550 cooperated very well with us, and to them we wish to express our sincerest thanks.

We went to the uncooperative coaches seven different times in an effort to get the best possible information, and after that many requests, we decided it was useless to fight them any longer.

So, we went to the next best sources—the vast number of gifted high school writers around the state who otherwise wouldn't be writing for us. They helped us as best they could and dug up as much information as possible in the amount of time left.

Normally, we would have just said to heck with the coaches who wouldn't cooperate, but we felt a responsibility to the players on the teams who could do nothing about it. They work just as hard as the boys who play for a coach who understands what publicity means to a player. We also felt a responsibility to all the fans in the state who support high school football and deserve the best in coverage.

We could print the names of the coaches who wouldn't cooperate, but just looking at the various reports themselves are a good enough indication of who helped and who didn't.

We tried to print as much pertinent information as space and time permitted and we felt we did the most complete job possible.

We know that our high school section is the most complete of any publication of its kind. There are over 12,000 different names within the section, plus most of the scores from last fall's 5,000 games and the schedules for this fall.

We'd be happy to hear from the various high school followers with comments and criticisms about this part of the magazine, in order that we might come out with a better spread in 1969.

TIM STAUDT

WHO WILL BE THE CHAMPIONS?

There will be at least ninety-five champions at the end of the 1968 high school season in Michigan—the number of organized leagues in the state.

Who might they all be? With the emphasis on "speculation", Michigan Football capsulizes each league race and picks the "best bet" in each, along with the players we think are the best bets to become the outstanding linemen and backs in their respective loops.

AL-VAN LEAGUE

Everybody is rebuilding from last season, but incumbent Bloomingdale is the top prospect to win again in '68.

Best Lineman: tackle Rich Rumery, Gobles;
Best Back: halfback Keith Brown, Lawton.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Bloomingdale	6	0	0	Hopkins	3	3	0
Lawton	5	2	0	Gobles	2	5	0
Martin	3	3	0	Saugatuck	0	5	1
Lawrence	2	3	1				

BLOOMINGDALE

Coach Paul Rakow may have a rebuilding season ahead with only four senior letterwinners on his squad along with eight juniors. The Cardinals were conference champions in 1967. They have six backs returning including three fullbacks. Only one guard and no centers return. Gordon Shaw is the quarterback.

BLOOMINGDALE (7-1)—0 Berrien Springs 19; 7 Hopkins 0; 37 Gobles 7; 28 Lawrence 6; 32 Martin 0; 13 Lawton 12; 46 Saugatuck 6; 13 Gull Lake 7.

RETURNEES—Bob Mosley, E; Don Puckett, T; Chuck Baker, FB; Gordon Shaw, QB; Steve Smith, HB; Louis Puckett, FB; Jim Hill, FB; Bob Johnson, HB; Gary Mortenson, T; Don Shaw, T; John Howe, G; Robin Robins, E.

SCHEDULE—Berrien Springs; at Gobles; at Hopkins; Saugatuck; Lawrence; at Martin; at Lawton; Gull Lake.

LAWTON

Lawton coach Gerald Boos finds his biggest problem to be competing with the Devils' state cross country championship team for members.

In addition to having to "sell" potential players on the merits of football over cross country, Boos has no fewer than 13 key positions to fill from last year's 6-2 squad and in a school Lawton's size, that's a pretty big order.

"We fight to get 30 boys out for football," Boos pointed out, "then have to hope no one decides to quit."

The Devils are too small to be much of a serious threat this year and chances appear slim they will match last year's squad which recorded five shutouts.

LAWTON (6-2)—32 Schoolcraft 0; 25 Saugatuck 0; 19 Springport 0; 14 Martin 32; 14 Gobles 13; 12 Bloomingdale 13; 14 Hopkins 0; 32 Lawrence 0.

RETURNEES—Joe Good, G; Pat Bently, HB; John Nagy, E; Leroy Farrow, T.

SCHEDULE—Schoolcraft; Saugatuck; Springport; Martin; Gobles; Bloomingdale; Hopkins; Lawrence.

MARTIN

Despite having only eight returning lettermen, coach Ron Merrill is hoping that this year's crew will improve on 1967's 4-3 slate. Losing key linemen and their top signal-caller, the Clippers will rely on halfback Steve Goodrich (140 pounds), end Ron Kraai (175), linebacker Howard Conley (170) and tackle Max Shook (195). Junior quarterback Don Knight will have to carry a major load if the 1968 campaign is to be a good one.

MARTIN (4-3)—48 Gobles 13; 33 Lawton 14; 18 Saugatuck 0; 0 Bloomingdale 32; 0 Waldron 40; 0 Lawrence 18; 6 Hopkins 0.

RETURNEES—Steve Goodrich, HB; Howard Conley, FB; Phil Banner, HB; Larry Keyzer, HB; Kevin Janowsky, E; Ron Kraai, E; Max Shook, T; Bill Medendorp, T.

SCHEDULE—Open; Hopkins; at Gobles; at Lawton; at Sagatuck; Bloomingdale; Open; Lawrence.

LAWRENCE

The Tigers are in the midst of a rebuilding job, with only three returning lettermen from last season plus the stalwarts from last season's junior varsity club.

Coach Tom Allshouse is optimistic that quarterback Dave Spencer will be able to pilot the Tigers to at least a .500 mark.

Punter Rod LeTourneau is one to watch with his 36-yard average.

LAWRENCE (2-5-1)—13 Gobles 12; 0 Hartford 27; 19 Hopkins 20; 0 Bloomingdale 20; 6 Saugatuck 6; 0 Gobles 6; 19 Martin 0; 0 Lawton 33.

RETURNEES—Dave Spencer, QB; Dick Van Galder; G; Rod LeTourneau, HB.

SCHEDULE—Hartford; Hopkins; Bloomingdale; Saugatuck; Gobles; Martin; Lawton.

HOPKINS

End Al Brenner, fullback Ken Fifelski and guard Mike Smith are top returnees for Hopkins, 3-3 a year ago. It'll be tough to move up in '68.

GOBLES

Seven starters return for coach David Callighan's Tigers who finished tied for fifth in the league last year. The returnees feature good size and speed. Rich Rumery averaged 12 tackles per game as a defensive tackle. He weighs 215. The other returning tackle is Bob Stahl (205). Dennis John caught three TD passes as an end last year. Jack and Rick Ullrey return at halfback and fullback, respectively.

GOBLES (2-6)—12 Lawrence 13; 13 Martin 48; 6 Bloomingdale 37; 13 Lawton 14; 0 Hopkins 26; 6 Lawrence 0; 6 Saugatuck 0; 7 Ravenna 18.

RETURNEES—Gary Meyers, E; Dennis Johnson, E; Rich Rumery, T; Bob Stahl, T; Bruce Keller, G; Joe Westfall, QB; Tim Worline, HB; Jack Ullery, HB; Rick Ullrey, FB.

SCHEDULE—at Saranac; Bloomingdale; Martin; Mattawan; Hopkins; at Lawton; at Lawrence; at Saugatuck; Fennville.

SAUGATUCK completes the league and doesn't figure to be too successful again in '68, after a winless campaign last year.

BI-COUNTY LEAGUE

A three-way scramble is expected again, but Lakeview might be just a bit stronger than the rest.

Best Lineman: linebacker Dave D'Luger, L'Anse Creuse;
Best Back: halfback Greg Dyer, L'Anse Creuse.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
L'Anse Creuse	4	1	0	South Lake	2	3	0
Lakeview	4	1	0	Lake Shore	1	4	0
Clintondale	4	1	0	Fraser	0	5	0

L'ANSE CREUSE

Green up front, golden in back, can describe the Lancers' football squad this fall. A solid backfield paced by halfback Greg Dyer, who averaged 5.6 yards a carry last year, returns to veteran coach John Antico but an inexperienced line will greatly hinder the Lancers' effectiveness this fall.

L'ANSE CREUSE (6-3)—19 Warren Lincoln 0; 0 Warren Mott 26; 19 Clintondale 13; 24 Fraser 0; 12 Lakeview 13; 33 Lakeshore 0; 31 South Lake 14; 0 Centerline 7; 33 Chippewa Valley 7.

RETURNEES—Dave D'Luger, G; Dave Hargrave, E; Carl Lapplander, QB; Greg Dyer, HB; Mike Schlitt, FB; Joe Goslin, E; Gil Knight, T; Dave Swoffer, G; John Weishaupt, C; Virgil Nicaise, HB; Ken Zurek, HB.

SCHEDULE—Warren Lincoln; at Grosse Pointe North; at Lakeshore; Fraser; Brablec; at Lakeview; at South Lake; Clintondale; Port Huron North.

ST. CLAIR SHORES LAKEVIEW

Lakeview closed with a rush in 1967, winning its last four games and five out of the last six to finish in a three-way tie for league honors. Coach Rex Luxton is looking toward 1968 optimistically, with 15 boys back from last year's squad. Jim Stabile must take over the quarterbacking chores and will likely have Kevin Good, Eugene Scott, Larry Tavalieri or Mark Zuzanek working in the backfield with him.

LAKEVIEW (5-2-1)—0 Mt. Clemens 0; 6 Fitzgerald 26; 12 South Lake 7; 0 Clintondale 19; 13 L'Anse Creuse 12; 6 Fraser 0; 19 Lakeshore 0; 18 Warren Woods 12.

RETURNEES—Vic Bennett, G; Joe Cromer, G; Frank Gavlinski, T; Kevin Good, HB; Tim Holmer, C; Tom Manarolla, E; Tom McKenney, T; Roy Meissner, E; Dave Ruthenberg, T; Mel Schulte, T; Eugene Scott, HB; Jim Stabile, QB; Larry Tavalieri, HB; Tom Wernet, E; Mark Zuzanek, FB.

SCHEDULE—at Mt. Clemens; at Fraser; Rose. Brablec; at Lake Shore; G.P. North; L'Anse Creuse; at Clintondale; at South Lake.

CLINTONDALE

The Dragons have 11 lettermen returning to try and match last fall's championship. Coach Don Seiferlein has a veteran returning in every position except one tackle. Bill Reinfeldt returns at quarterback along with Richard Kluge and David Thiel at halfbacks and Joe Kudla at fullback. David Koester (220) anchors the offensive line at center.

CLINTONDALE (5-2-1)—12 East Detroit 6; 13 Alganac 13; 13 L'Anse Creuse 19; 13 Lakeshore 0; 19 Lakeview 0; 22 South Lake 14; 46 Fraser 0; 6 Grosse Isle 19.

RETURNEES—Bill Reinfeldt, QB; Richard Kluge, HB; David Thiel, HB; Joe Kudla, FB; Ken Nemeth, G; Ray Nester, G; Dan Robinson, T; Gary Kote, G; David Koester, C; Joe Masching, E; Leo Nester, E.

SCHEDULE—at East Detroit; Lake Shore; Grosse Pointe; at Roseville; South Lake; at Fraser; Lakeview; at L'anse Creuse.

SOUTH LAKE

The Cavaliers have at least one veteran at every position from the 1967 team which finished fourth in the circuit. Heading the list of 16 lettermen are tackles Mike Hallop (200) and Ron Harris (210) and end Larry Hallop (210). Coach Dick Thompson also has two experienced quarterbacks in Mike Senn (180) and Tom Strace.

SOUTH LAKE (4-5)—40 Roseville Brablec 0; 33 Warren Cousino 0; 7 Lakeview 12; 38 Lake Shore 12; 31 Fraser 12; 7 L'Anse Creuse 30; 14 Clintondale 22; 7 Fitzgerald 13; 7 Utica 19.
RETURNEES—Mike Senn, QB; Tom Strace, QB; Jim Gleason, FB; Dennis Demers, HB; Frank Ciccone, HB; George Curis, C; Ralph DiDominco, G; Barry Jay, G; Mike Sterer, G; Mike Poniatowski, G; Mike Hallop, T; Ron Harrie, T; Larry Hallop, E; Ray Gates, E; Francis Soumis, E; Sam Royce, E.
SCHEDULE—at Roseville Brablec; Fraser; at Grosse Pointe North; at Clintondale; Lake Shore; L'Anse Creuse; at Lakeview; at Port Huron Catholic.

LAKESHORE and FRASER, the league doormats last season figure to do little again, while GROSSE POINTE NORTH and ROSEVILLE BRABLEC are new additions for '68.

BLOSSOMLAND CONFERENCE

Coloma most likely is the top contender, with Buchanan strong again and Edwardsburg being a darkhorse.
Best Lineman: tackle Roger Hassen, Buchanan;
Best Back: quarterback John Jessup, Berrien Springs.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Buchanan	7	0	0	Lakeshore	3	4	0
Coloma	5	2	0	Berrien Springs	3	4	0
River Valley	5	2	0	Brandywine	1	6	0
Edwardsburg	4	3	0	Cassopolis	0	7	0

BUCHANAN

Coach Doug Borgert faces a rebuilding year from last year's undefeated conference champions. Only eight of 23 lettermen return for the Bucks, who lost the entire offensive backfield along with two ends, one tackle, one guard, and the center. Roger Hassen (250) will anchor the line at tackle. Bob Travis (185) is a big fullback.
BUCHANAN (7-1-1)—30 Brandywine 0; 35 Berrien Springs 8; 7 Niles 7; 13 Edwardsburg 0; 19 River Valley 6; 61 Coloma 27; 14 Lakeshore 0; 37 Cassopolis 6; 0 Dowagiac 12.
RETURNEES—Gary Elliot, HB; Roger Hassen, T; Al Hicks, G; Carl Riggins, C; Steve Klingerman, E; Pat Sexton, QB; Bob Travis, FB; Jerry Hubbard, E.

COLOMA

An undefeated reserve team moves up to fill the gaps for coach Gerald Hauch, who's team was 7-2 a year ago. The interior offensive line returns, but graduation took the ends and wiped out the backfield. The Comets have more speed, but lack experience in a building year.
Terry Clark, Jerry Ditchie, Irv O'Leary, Mark Shankland, Dave Stowers, Larry Ulleg and Larry LaGrou are all returning starters.
COLOMA (7-2)—28 South Haven 0; 36 Lakeshore 19; 9 River Valley 0; 19 Berrien Springs 21; 47 Niles Brandywine 7; 27 Buchanan 61; 61 Cassopolis 6; 40 Watervliet 7; 21 Edwardsburg 6.
RETURNEES—John Andrews, HB; Terry Clark, QB, DE; Jim Daniel, E; Jerry Ditchie, FB-LB; Jim Miller, E; Irv O'Leary, G; Mark Shankland, C-T; Dave Stowers, G-E; Larry Ulleg, T; Vic Wier II, C-T; Larry LaGrou, HB.
SCHEDULE—at South Haven; Edwardsburg; Lakeshore; at River Valley; Berrien Springs; at Niles Brandywine; Buchanan; at Cassopolis.

THREE OAKS-RIVER VALLEY

There's potential in the backfield, but the line ranks are thin for coach Dave Thompson. There's little depth and any injuries will hurt badly. Sixteen lettermen return, including five halfbacks and four guards from a team that was 5-3 a year ago.
SCHEDULE—St. Philip; Lakeshore; Edwardsburg; Coloma; Cassopolis; Buchanan; Brandywine; Berrien Springs.

EDWARDSBURG

Coach Leo Hoffman welcomes back 12 lettermen with a veteran at every position except center and fullback. Mike Reed (194) and Tom Seggerman (202) return at tackle for the Eddies. Glen Emanaker and Randy Hoffman both lettered at quarterback. Hoffman is hopeful of improving on last fall's fourth place conference finish.
EDWARDSBURG (4-5)—0 White Pigeon 13; 0 River Valley 19; 0 Buchanan 13; 20 Lakeshore 13; 41 Berrien Springs 0; 13 Brandywine 0; 20 Cassopolis 13; 0 Jimtown 6; 6 Coloma 21.
RETURNEES—Duane Christwer, T; Glen Emanaker, QB; Jerry Howard, HB; Greg Jackson, HB; Mike Reed, T; Tom Seggerman, T; Doug Smith, E; Robin Ward, HB; Randy Hoffman, QB; Bill Monaghan, G; Al Smith, G; Jim Wilfert, E.
SCHEDULE—White Pigeon; at Coloma; River Valley; at Benton Harbor St. John's; Lakeshore; at Berrien Springs; Cassopolis; at Brandywine.

STEVENSVILLE LAKESHORE

With the loss of 14 lettermen from a team with a 3-5 record last season, Lakeshore is in a rebuilding stage this season. Coach Glenn Arter's Lancers will count heavily on sophomores to take up the slack. Tackle Joe Luttrell, an all-conference tackle last season, heads the returnees.
STEVENSVILLE-LAKESHORE (3-5)—7 St. Joseph 20; 19 Coloma 36; 6 Brandywine 0; 13 Edwardsburg 20; 13 Cassopolis 7; 20 Berrien Springs 13; 0 Buchanan 14; 0 River Valley 13.
RETURNEES—Bob Zinkil, HB; Dave Kasewurm, T; Joe Luttrell, T; Darwin Walden, G; Steve Schoenfelder, G; Dick Reimers, FB; Mike Nitz, C; Gary Stockman, HB; David Wade, HB; Jay Craig, QB.
SCHEDULE—St. Joseph; at River Valley; at Coloma; Brandywine; at Edwardsburg; Cassopolis; Berrien Springs; at Buchanan.

BERRIEN SPRINGS

Only nine letterwinners return from last year's team, which was 3-5 for the season, but coach James Bowser thinks there is a lot of talent returning. He sees this year as perhaps his best in the five years he's been the Shamrock coach. One of his best is John Jessup, last season's quarterback, who completed over 50 per cent of his passes and averaged over nine yards per carry. He'll have two of his favorite receivers back to throw to, Dennis Fox, leading receiver, ground gainer and scorer as halfback, and end Mark Boehm, 6-3, 195-pounds. Jeff Lemon should handle the fullback spot, while Mark Stone, Jim Ruiz, and Curt Johnson will be on the line.
BERRIEN SPRINGS (3-5)—19 Bloomingdale 0; 8 Buchanan 35; 32 Cassopolis 19; 21 Coloma 19; 0 Edwardsburg 41; 7 Lakeshore 20; 6 River Valley 19; 0 Brandywine 7.
RETURNEES—John Jessup, QB; Dennis Fox, HB; Jeff Lemon, FB; Mark Boehm, E; Mark Stone, G; Jim Ruiz, C; Art Gonzolas, DHB; Curt Johnson, T; Roy Patterson, HB.
SCHEDULE—Bloomingdale; Brandywine; Buchanan; Cassopolis; Coloma; Edwardsburg; Lakeshore; River Valley.

NILES BRANDYWINE

Quarterback Jim Johnson (185 pounds) and 250-pound tackle, Tim Wolfinger, give coach Gary Adams hopes that his Bobcats will better last year's 3-5 record. Johnson, who has two letters to his credit, and Wolfinger, a starter as a sophomore in 1967, head a list of 10 returning letter winners.
BRANDYWINE (3-5)—0 Buchanan 30; 25 Cassopolis 19; 0 Lakeshore 6; 34 Benton Harbor St. Johns 7; 7 Coloma 47; 0 River Valley 6; 0 Edwardsburg 13; 7 Berrien Springs 0.
RETURNEES—Dennis Kuemin, FB; Mark Asire, HB; Rayne Covault, G; Garry Bridges, LB; Jim Johnson, QB-HB; Carl Bennett, QB; Mike Bowlin; Walter Swartz, LB; Tom Watson, HB; Tim Wolfinger, T.
SCHEDULE—G. R. Union; Berrien Springs; Cassopolis; Lakeshore; Buchanan; Coloma; River Valley; Edwardsburg.

CASSOPOLIS was the league doormat last year and figures to be the same again.

BORDER CITIES LEAGUE

Wyandotte Roosevelt figures to be the class of the league in '68.
Best Lineman: linebacker Roger Duty, Royal Oak Dondero;
Best Back: quarterback Byron Hebert, Wyandotte Roosevelt.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Wyandotte	5	0	0	Fordson	2	3	0
Royal Oak	4	1	0	Highland Park	1	4	0
Grosse Pointe	3	2	0	Monroe	0	5	0

WYANDOTTE ROOSEVELT

Fifteen lettermen return from coach Bert Zagers' 1967 team that finished with a 7-2 slate, giving the Bears reason to be optimistic. Quarterback Byron Hebert, the Border Cities League's most valuable player last season, and tackle Dennis Liptak, all-conference a year ago, are the top veterans back.
WYANDOTTE (7-2)—40 Trenton 14; 13 Riverview 14; 27 Highland Park 2; 25 Royal Oak 6; 41 Monroe 6; 33 Grosse Pointe 21; 13 Fordson 12; 27 Muskegon Heights 7.
RETURNEES—Dan Allman, HB; Fred Crsyler, HB; Steve Davis, E; Fred Hawkins, E; Byron Hebert, QB; Eric Heft, T; Ron Kanthack, FB; Bill Kokal, HB; Bill Kucyk, HB; Greg Kowaleski, T; Dennis Liptak, T; Rich Malinowski, G; Stan Olzowy, FB; John Rzeppa, FB; Rich Simmons, C.
SCHEDULE—Trenton; Riverview; Royal Oak; Monroe; Grosse Pointe; Fordson; Highland Park; Lincoln Park.

ROYAL OAK DONDERO

Royal Oak has eight lettermen back to try and repeat the success of 1967 that saw the Oaks win seven of nine games and finish runners-up in the league. Coach Iverson Loftin, starting his 12th year, looks for only an average season unless unknown faces can blossom in a hurry. Roger Duty, a linebacker and fullback, represents the best of the returning defensive players while quarterback Jerry Campbell heads the offensive letter winners.
R. O. DONDERO (7-2)—25 Ferndale 7; 13 Hazel Park 7; 6 Monroe 0; 7 Wyandotte 25; 20 Highland Park 0; 25 Ford-

son 13; 6 Grosse Pointe 0; 8 Bir. Seaholm 7; 14 R.O. Kimball 18.
RETURNEES—John Mann, E; Jerry Campbell, QB; Don Shultz, T; Roger Duty, FB; Del Osborne, C; Tom Poff, HB; Al Hodge, T; Keith Sanders, HB.
SCHEDULE—Ferndale; Hazel Park; Grosse Pointe; Monroe; Wyandotte; Highland Park; Fordson; Bir. Seaholm; R. O. Kimball.

GROSSE POINTE

Grosse Pointe should be able to match last season's 4-4 record, though to improve on it the Blue Devils will need some new interior linemen. Coach Ed Wernert leaves Grosse Pointe after 22 years to become athletic director at the new Grosse Pointe North school and leaves behind a pretty solid core of experienced backfield men. The defense shapes up to be fairly sound with linebacker Neil Tuttle and defensive halfback Chris Malafouris returning, but the Devils won't be as menacing as they were a year ago.
RETURNEES—Walt Bailey, E; Jim Colby, HB; Chris Malfouris, HB; Jim Montmorency, FB; Frank Peters, HB; Bill Schleicher, E; Mark Straetmens, G; Steve Triner, C; Neil Tuttle, LB; Larry Ulmer, T; Mark Withers, E.
SCHEDULE—at Ann Arbor; Port Huron; at Royal Oak Dondero; Fordson; at Monroe; Wyandotte; at Highland Park; Lincoln Park.

FORDSON

Coach George Lewis, in his sixth season as head Tractor mentor, will have 14 monogram winners returning, and figures his 1968 team should improve on last year's 3-4 squad. Heading the list of veterans back are linebackers Curt Szajnecki (205 pounds) and Bob Dexter (170), and guard George Sekulidis (190). Dexter and Sekulidis are the Tractors' co-captains.
FORDSON (3-4)—6 Grosse Pointe 19; 13 Highland Park 0; 27 Monroe 7; 13 Royal Oak 25; 12 Wyandotte 13; 6 Dearborn 0; 7 Edsel Ford 14.
RETURNEES—Bob Dexter, LB; Gary McGraw, E; Jim Pavle, E; George Sekulidis, G; Bob Saleh, T; Curt Szajnecki, G; Larry Kelly, G; Mike Whitcraft, C; Gene Ciccarelli, G; Mark Stevens, QB; Wafik Zioh, HB; Bob Septer, HB; George Kallas, HB; Paul Sherman, FB.
SCHEDULE—Lincoln Park; Edsel Ford; Wyandotte; Grosse Pointe; Highland Park; Monroe; Royal Oak; Dearborn.

HIGHLAND PARK and MONROE complete the league, but neither figure to be contenders in '68.

CAPITAL CIRCUIT LEAGUE

As many as six clubs could take honors this fall, but incumbent Okemos, Gabriels, O'Rafferty and Mason figure to be the best bets.

Best Lineman: end Dennis McNamara, O'Rafferty;
Best Back: halfback Craig Webster, Mason.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Okemos	7	0	0	Howell	3	3	1
Gabriels	5	1	1	Mason	3	3	1
O'Rafferty	4	3	0	Eaton Rapids	1	6	0
Holt	3	3	1	Haslett	0	7	0

OKEMOS

Seventeen returning lettermen, paced by 185-pound quarterback Marc Neifert, give the Chieftains a solid nucleus in their attempt to capture the Capital Circuit crown for the third straight year. Coach Bob Porritt is in his second year at Okemos as head man, and he looks for help from his junior varsity to match last season's 7-1 mark. Neifert, an all-league selection, passed for eight touchdowns, ran for three more, and completed 44 of 79 passes for 691 yards.
OKEMOS (7-1)—6 G.R. Central 45; 26 Mason 20; 32 O'Rafferty 25; 21 Holt 13; 21 Eaton Rapids 6; 26 Gabriels 12; 39 Howell 6; 33 Haslett 6.
RETURNEES—Dave Bowers, E; Terry Applegate, E; Bill Copland, HB; Bill Drake, C; John Figy, G; Ken Forsberg, T; Tom Gaa, HB; Art Gring, HB; Mike Johnson, T; Tom McCarthy E; Marc Neifert, QB; Tim Rolph, QB; Marty Ross, HB; Jim Schaberg, HB; Kurt Schirmer, HB; Glenn Skallard, G; Sky Tribell, C.
SCHEDULE—G.R. Central; at Mason; O'Rafferty; at Holt; Eaton Rapids; Gabriels; at Howell; at Haslett.

LANSING GABRIELS

Fielding a team with experienced men at 10 positions, coach Phil Brooks (50-13-2) needs to find overall depth and a quarterback, to match last year's fine 6-1-1 crew. With Dave Greenburg (205 pounds), Frank Madaski (230), Greg Thom (185) and Dave Howland (175) blocking up front, and Tim Curtin (165), Ralph Marinez (140), Steve Seeley (165) and Mike Curl (170) carrying the ball, the Shamrocks have a potent rushing offense. Gabriels has 17 returning lettermen.
GABRIELS (6-1-1)—14 Grand Ledge 0; 36 Eaton Rapids 0; 13 Mason 0; 27 Haslett 0; 0 Howell 0; 12 Okemos 26; 7 Holt 0; 19 O'Rafferty 7.
RETURNEES—Greg Thom, G; Stu Vantilburg, G; Joe Turpin, G; Dave Howland, C; Paul Teslewicz, C; Frank Madaski, T; Dave Greenburg, T; Joe Conrod, E; Mark Gooselin, E; Mike Spadafore, E; Chuck Larkin, QB; Tom Rosatti, QB; Tim Curtin, HB; Mike Curl, HB; Ralph Marinez, HB; Craig Rundle, FB; Steve Seeley, FB.
SCHEDULE—at Grand Ledge; at Eaton Rapids; Mason; Haslett; at Howell; at Okemos; Holt; O'Rafferty.

LANSING O'RAFFERTY

Sporting a potent passing attack and strong running backs, the Raiders need to find capable linemen to improve on last year's 4-4 record. All-Capital Circuit end as a sophomore, Dennis McNamara (185 pounds), returns as does another end, Bill Newhouse and linebacker Ed Spagnuolo. McNamara caught 22 passes for 394 yards and five touchdowns last year, while Newhouse scored three TD's on 12 receptions and 120 yards. The quarterback will be George Bridson, who was lodged in a reserve role most of last season.
O'RAFFERTY (4-4)—6 Waverly 9; 25 Howell 0; 25 Okemos 32; 13 Mason 6; 7 Holt 13; 25 Eaton Rapids 6; 14 Haslett 7; 7 Gabriels 19.
RETURNEES—Joe Rowan, E; Bill Newhouse, E; Dennis McNamara, E; Dave Farhat, T; Bruce Morgan, T; Ed Spagnuolo, G; Tom Hufnagel, G; Rick Costello, G; George Bridson, QB; Steve Curtis, FB; Mike Brogan, HB.
SCHEDULE—at Waverly; Howell; at Okemos; Mason; Holt; at Eaton Rapids; Haslett; at Gabriels.

HOLT

Line strength will be the Rams' chief forte this season, but coach Darold Briggs' charges will be green in the offensive backfield which could make things tough. Tom Harmon, a 6-4, 205-pound tackle, center Rick Abel (195 pounds) and tackle Ken Lomax (200) head the list of 12 returning monogram winners. Quarterback Mike Williams is the only veteran that didn't start in at least four games in 1967.
HOLT (4-3-1)—7 Michigan Center 6; 13 Haslett 7; 6 Howell 13; 13 Okemos 20; 13 O'Rafferty 7; 6 Mason 6; 0 Gabriels 7; 13 Eaton Rapids 7.
RETURNEES—Rick Abel, C; Paul Baisel, G; Jeff Farnsworth, HB; Tom Fulgar, FB; John Gary, E; Tom Harmon, T; Chuck Henderson, T; Jerry Lester, E; Ken Lomax, T; Rick McDaniel, G; Scott Somers, QB; Mike Williams, QB.
SCHEDULE—Michigan Center; Haslett; at Howell; Okemos; at O'Raferty; Mason; at Gabriels; at Eaton Rapids.

HOWELL

Guard Bob Hopkins (180 pounds), who led the Highlanders in tackles last season, heads a list of 14 returning monogram winners for coach Gil O'Doherty's gridders. There will be 23 seniors on the team, as it attempts to better last season's 3-5-1 record.
HOWELL (3-5-1)—0 Fenton 25; 0 O'Rafferty 19; 13 Holt 6; 25 Eaton Rapids 0; 0 Gabriels 0; 38 Haslett 7; 6 Okemos 39; 14 Mason 25; 12 Fowlerville 34.
RETURNEES—Dennis Itsell, HB-E; Jim Stepp, QB; Tim Hensick, HB; Don Jones, HB; Dale Wortz, FB-E; Rick Skusa, HB; Jeff Spragg, C; Gary Bain, C; Jim Peters, G; Bob Hopkins, G; Steve Ames, T; Jim Ohrt, T; Paul Hildreth, E; Fred Gray, E.
SCHEDULE—Fenton; at O'Rafferty; Holt; at Eaton Rapids; Gabriels; at Haslett; Okemos; Mason; at Fowlerville.

MASON

Looking for line help from a talented group of sophomores to open holes for veteran halfback Craig Webster, is the Bulldogs' coach Bruce DePue. Fourteen lettermen return from last season's 3-4-1 team. Pacing the offense is Webster, a firey 5-7, 150-pounder, who made first team All-Capital Circuit as a junior. Webster registered 101 points and carried the ball for 1063 yards.
MASON (3-4-1)—21 St. Johns 38; 21 Okemos 26; 0 Gabriels 13; 6 O'Rafferty 13; 34 Haslett 7; 6 Holt 6; 38 Eaton Rapids 7; 32 Howell 14.
RETURNEES—Mike Johnson, QB; Bruce Meck, B; Craig Webster, B; Jim Jenkins, G; Jim Engle, G; Kevin Vincent, G; Steve Jewett, C; Jeff Osterle, T; Dave Birney, T; Dan Diller, T; Don Edgar, T; Paul Corey, T; Dale Lawson, E; Bill Backus, E.
SCHEDULE—St. Johns; Okemos; at Gabriels; at O'Rafferty; Haslett; at Holt; Eaton Rapids; at Howell.

EATON RAPIDS

Optimistic is the best way to describe the outlook for coach Loren Dietrich's third season as head mentor of the Greyhounds. Looking for a much improved team, backed by 19 returning lettermen and 35 juniors off Eaton Rapids' 5-3 JV team, Dietrich is convinced that this year he'll have a sound team.
EATON RAPIDS (1-6-1)—6 Charlotte 6; 0 Gabriels 36; 28 Haslett 14; 0 Howell 25; 7 Okemos 21; 6 O'Rafferty 25; 6 Mason 21; 7 Holt 13.
RETURNEES—Roger Harder, B; Marvin Moore, B; Bob Weldon, B; Bill Cataline, B; John Colestock, B; Mike Towns, G; Bob Pratt, T; Cliff Jones, T; Ed Collins, G; Dana Jury,

G; Mike Higgins, G; Tim Holwig, T; Bill Spalding, T; Joel Buchin, T; Craig Love, C; Steve Kapff, C; Ron Clone, T; Roy Rogers, G; Tom Twitchell, B.
SCHEDULE—at Charlotte; Gabriels; at Haslett; Howell; at Okemos; O'Rafferty; at Mason; Holt.

HASLETT

The Vikings of second year coach Ernie Becker have no way to go but up in '68, after a winless, 0-8 season last fall. Becker instilled a better attitude in the Vikings' camp however, and Haslett barely lost several games. Scoring punch is needed. The Vikings only scored 19 points in the last five games last season.

The Vikings might not improve very much, but they should be good enough to win at least once or twice.
HASLETT (0-8)—18 Fowlerville 26; 7 Holt 13; 14 Eaton Rapids 28; 0 Gabriels 27; 0 Mason 27; 7 Howell 38; 6 O'Rafferty 13; 6 Okemos 33.

CASCADES CONFERENCE

Newcomer Columbia Central will be extremely tough, while incumbent champion Vandercook Lake will be another contender. Michigan Center is another hopeful.

Best Lineman: guard Dick Crapser, Vandercook Lake;
Best Back: quarterback Kim Rothfuss, Columbia Central.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Vandercook Lake	6	0	0	Parma Western	2	3	1
Michigan Center	4	1	1	Napoleon	1	5	0
Jackson Northwest	3	1	2	East Jackson	0	6	0
Concord	3	3	0				

VANDERCOOK LAKE

1967 saw Jayhawk fans watching their team capture the Cascades Conference title while averaging over 36 points in nine games.

Rebuilding will be the word for '68, as only six lettermen return. Coach Chuck Miller will have halfback Larry Porter and guard Dick Crapser back, and, if he can come up with a quarterback, could pull out another fine season. Much will ride on the upcoming players from the J.V. squad.
VANDERCOOK LAKE (9-0)—46 Athens 0; 38 Napoleon 0; 33 Northwest 0; 55 East Jackson 0; 20 Concord 7; 46 Mich. Center 20; 47 Belleve 0; 13 Western 0; 27 Jonesville 19.
RETURNEES—Dick Crapser, G; Larry Porter, HB; Bob Robinson, HB; Marty Baumgartner, C; Don Chenualt, G; Bill Rehor, HB.
SCHEDULE—Napoleon; at Northwest; East Jackson; at Concord; Michigan Center; at Columbia Central; at Western; at Jonesville.

MICHIGAN CENTER

Coach Bill Anderson, in his 11th year as head coach (61-26-3 overall record), will be hard-pressed to come up with a team to match the ones he's had over the past decade. Junior quarterback Jim Hopkins (190 pounds) who completed 65 of 123 passes for 937 yards and five touchdowns and also scored five as a sophomore, will lead the Michigan Center offensive, while Doug Clissold (180) provides the Cardinals with good blocking and tough defensive play.
MICH. CENTER (4-4-1)—6 Holt 7; 13 Jackson NW 13; 19 Concord 0; 13 East Jackson 12; 13 Waverly 26; 20 Vandercook 46; 32 Parma Western 14; 33 Napoleon 6; 13 Dexter 14.
RETURNEES—Jim Hopkins, QB; Chuck Kloack, DB; Mike Henman, HB; Denny Knapp, FB; Mike Hynes, HB; Doug Clissold, T; Mike King, C; Bob Esham, E; Art Worden, E; Tim Jusick, T; Mike Jusick, G; Art Taylor, G; Dan Dingee, G.
SCHEDULE—Holt; Jackson NW; East Jackson; Concord; Columbia Central; Vandercook; Parma Western; Napoleon; Dexter.

JACKSON NORTHWEST

Hopes for equalling last season's 5-2-2 record rest on an experienced line and an untested backfield. The Mounties lost leading scorer Buzz Reed through graduation. He had 10 touchdowns a year ago.

Heading the list of returning veterans are quarterback John Juszcyk and John Weirich. Both scored one touchdown each last season while seeing limited duty. Both are seniors.
NORTHWEST (5-2-2)—13 Leslie 12; 13 Michigan Center 13; 0 Vandercook Lake 33; 6 Hudson 26; 34 Napoleon 0; 32 Harper Creek 20; 14 East Jackson 12; 20 Concord 2; 0 Western 0.
SCHEDULE—At Leslie; at Michigan Center; Vandercook Lake; at Hudson; Napoleon; Columbia Central; at East Jackson; Concord; at Western.

CONCORD

A nucleus of 13 experienced lettermen makes the outlook bright for coach Cliff Hall. Veterans at every position except end has Hall set on improving last season's 5-4 record.

Leon Allen and John Center head the list of returning backs. Allen scored four touchdowns a year ago and Center tallied twice. Allen is a senior and Center a junior. Other returning backs are seniors Tim Sears and Dennis Gardner.
CONCORD (5-4)—38 Grass Lake 0; 32 East Jackson 21; 38 Hanover-Horton 0; 0 Michigan Center 19; 7 Vandercook Lake 20; 26 Western 6; 21 Napoleon 20; 2 Northwest 20; 12 Homer 21.
SCHEDULE—Hanover-Horton; East Jackson; at Columbia Central; at Michigan Center; Vandercook Lake; at Western; Napoleon; at Northwest; at Homer.

PARMA WESTERN

Coach Ron Ralya starts his 12th season as head coach and faces the task of rebuilding a team around a nucleus of 10 lettermen. Nine are seniors and one a junior.

Mainstays of this year's team are end Mike York, halfback Tom Conant and linebacker Gene Fox. York caught three touchdown passes a year ago and Conant added two TD's. Junior Tobin Shore saw duty at halfback and end and is the team's kicker.

Other senior veterans include end Steve Palmer, guard Terry Culver, linebacker Steve Gillette, tackle Bob Sharp, fullback Marty Jones and 320-pound tackle Owen O'Neil.
WESTERN (5-3-1)—28 Jackson St. Mary 0; 14 Bellevue 7; 27 Napoleon 0; 13 Delton 0; 21 East Jackson 2; 6 Concord 26; 14 Michigan Center 32; 0 Vandercook Lake 13; 0 Northwest 0.
SCHEDULE—Clinton; at Bellevue; at Napoleon; Columbia Central; at East Jackson; Concord; at Michigan Center; Vandercook Lake; Northwest.

NAPOLEON

There will be no retreat for Don Anderson's Napoleon Pirates in 1968.

Only five lettermen return, but the Pirates had a champion reserve team with good size and speed.

Ernie Green will be the key man in the attack. Last season he scored six touchdowns, kicked three conversions and gained 767 yards. As a passer he completed 14 of 37 attempts.
NAPOLEON (1-8)—12 Onstead 31; 0 Vandercook Lake 38; 0 Western 27; 7 Waldron 27; 0 Northwest 34; 39 East Jackson 6; 20 Concord 21; 6 Michigan Center 33; 7 Columbia Center 38.
RETURNEES—Ernie Green, HB; Greg Duncan, HB; Brian Barrus, E; Dean Wilkenson, T; Bill Walker, E.
SCHEDULE—Grass Lake; Vandercook Lake; Western; Onstead; Northwest; East Jackson; Concord; Michigan Center; Columbia Center.

EAST JACKSON

The Trojans could be the dark horse of the conference this season after finishing in the cellar last year. Coach Gerald E. Snyder welcomes back 20 lettermen including junior quarterback Roger Thompson who completed 53 of 100 passes for 670 yards and four TDs. End Dan Sandoval caught 23 passes for 290 yards. Halfback Mike Valentine is small but fast. Fullback Greg Burch, another junior, averaged 4.8 yards rushing last fall. Jack McFarland (225) led the team in tackles with 85 while linebacker Dennis Straub had 65 and sophomore end Mike Jamrog (6-2, 190) had 73 and recovered five fumbles.
EAST JACKSON (2-6-1)—13 Sand Creek 13; 21 Concord 32; 12 Michigan Center 13; 0 Vandercook Lake 55; 2 Western 21; 6 Napoleon 39; 12 Northwest 14; 13 Leslie 12; 20 Grass Lake 13.
RETURNEES—Roger Thompson, QB; Mick Cromley, QB; Doug Miller, HB; Greg Burch, FB; Mike Jamrog, FB-E; Mike Valentine, HB; Bob Dutton, HB; Norm Thomas, T; Gary McArthur, C; Jewell Freeman, G; Dennis Straub, G; Charles Bennett, G; Doug Berger, G; Jack McFarland, T; Dave Wieczorek, T; Don Converse, E; Dan Lautzenheiser, E; Dan Sandoval, E; Dave Bowman, E; Jim Gamin, C.
SCHEDULE—Milan; at Concord; Michigan Center; at Vandercook Lake; Western; at Napoleon; Northwest; at Columbia Central; at Grass Lake.

COLUMBIA CENTRAL

Coach Chuck Emch has 14 letterwinners back with experience at every position except one end. Scott Thacher (6-3, 190) started the last three games of his sophomore year at fullback and averaged 7.3 yards on 31 carries. Quarterback Kim Rothfuss ran and passed for over 1300 yards total and completed 58 per cent of his passes. Bill Rhodes (6-3, 240) is a top two-way performer. Halfback Leo Seagert rushed for over 600 yards. Linebacker Bruce Coffert was in on 92 tackles.
COLUMBIA CENTRAL (6-2)—33 Hanover Horton 8; 6 Manchester 7; 19 Whitmore Lake 12; 19 Novi 13; 7 Clinton 14; 12 Ypsilanti Roosevelt 0; 13 Grass Lake 0; 38 Napoleon 7.
RETURNEES—Bill Devine, E; Bill Rhodes, T; Dave Spallinger, T; Gary Jersey, G; Mark Smith, G; Roger Miller, C; Steve Plate, C; Kim Rothfuss, QB; Leo Seagert, HB; Scott Thacher, FB; Denny Dilworth, HB; Scott Cooper, HB; Bruce Coffert, LB; Fred Fitzpatrick, LB.
SCHEDULE—Onsted; open; Concord; at Parma Western; at Michigan Center; at Jackson Northwest; Vandercook Lake; East Jackson; at Napoleon.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Potterville should again be outstanding, while Portland St. Patrick and Webberville fight for either the top spot or runner-up.

Best Lineman: tackle Ray Youngs, Potterville;
Best Back: halfback Roy McFarland, Webberville.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Potterville	6	1	0	Laingsburg	2	4	1
Portland St. Pats	6	1	0	Fowler	2	5	0
Bath	6	1	0	Pewamo-Westphalia	2	5	0
Webberville	3	4	0	Dewitt	0	6	1

POTTERVILLE

Despite losing all-state end Mike Taverniti and quarterback Mike Heinze from last year's team (7-1) that tied for second in the state rankings, coach Tom Truscott's Vikings return 20 lettermen. Among the fine returning gridders will be 230-pound tackle Ray Youngs, linebacker Greg Rickle (150 pounds), guard Ruben Chavez (170) and halfback Jerry St. John (170). The first three made all-conference, while St. John carried for 456 yards last season.

POTTERVILLE (7-1)—31 Springport 14; 32 DeWitt 14; 12 Portland St. Pat. 19; 32 Bath 21; 12 Laingsburg 0; 26 Webberville 14; 8 Pewamo-Westphalia 0; 20 Fowler 13.

RETURNEES—Bruce McMurray, HB; Mike Sherman, QB; Lynn VanLoton, HB; Kim VanTilburg, HB; Jerry St. John, HB; Ron Boyer, HB; Wayne Bargy, FB; Greg Rickle, FB; Bruce Allen, G; Dave Lowe, C; Fred Crapp, C; Jerry Ackley, G; Jerry Fielder, G; Brian Smith, G; Ruben Chavez, G; Ray Youngs, T; Mike Raines, T; Abel Anzalova, E; Dave Metzmaker, E; Gary Shaver, E.

SCHEDULE—at Springport; Portland St. Pat.; at Bath; Laingsburg; at Webberville; Pewamo-Westphalia; Fowler; at DeWitt.

PORTLAND ST. PATRICK

Only 11 lettermen return from last year's fine 7-1 squad, but coach Lou LaScala thinks that the experience his younger men acquired last year will help them surprise a few people this season. Back for the Shamrocks will be all-conference center, Pat Weller, and halfbacks Mike Simon and Fred Denny. Simon had five interceptions in one game in 1967, while Denny snatched off 12 enemy aerials over the course of the season. He also had 120 yards in 10 carries, good for three TD's.

ST. PATRICK (8-1)—20 Saranac 0; 33 Pewamo-Westphalia 6; 19 Potterville 12; 33 Fowler 6; 6 Bath 19; 60 DeWitt 0; 14 Laingsburg 0; 12 Webberville 6.

RETURNEES—Pat Weller, C; Bill Hoffman, G; Russ Thelen, G; Gary Fedewa, T; Roger Cook, E; Steve Nowak, E; Bob Keusch, QB; Mike Simon, HB; Fred Denny, HB; Larry Huhn, HB; Tom Schneider, DE.

SCHEDULE—Williamston; Potterville; DeWitt; Fowler; Bath; Laingsburg; Webberville; Pewamo-Westphalia.

BATH

Young and inexperienced is the way coach Ron Skorich describes this year's Fighting Bees. With 15 sophomores on the varsity, Bath appears to be building a team of the future. Ten gridders from last season's 7-1 team return, including 178-pound linebacker Tom Feguer, tackle Bill Goff (172 pounds) and sophomore fullback Don Adams (180).

BATH (7-1)—21 Dansville 6; 14 Webberville 7; 27 Pewamo-Westphalia 0; 21 Potterville 32; 19 DeWitt 6; 19 Portland St. Pat. 6; 19 Fowler 6; 26 Laingsburg 6.

RETURNEES—Tom Feguer, G; Bill Goff, T; Mike Walker, C; Steve Parker, T; Vere Brown, G; Greg Dunlop, G; Don Hichols, E; Tom Cooley, QB; Mike Wood, HB; Don Adams, FB.

SCHEDULE—Dansville; Webberville; Pewamo-Westphalia; Potterville; DeWitt; Portland St. Pat.; Fowler; Laingsburg.

WEBBERVILLE

Coach Don Schultz is expecting big things from his 1968 Spartan gridders. In fact, he figures that his fourth year at Webberville might produce the top football team in the school's history. Seventeen lettermen return from 1967's 5-4 squad, including six-foot, 185 pound halfback Roy McFarland. McFarland, who garnered All-Central Michigan Athletic Conference honors in 1966 and '67, ran for seven touchdowns last year, and threw for two others, and amassed over 750 yards in each of the last two campaigns.

WEBBERVILLE (5-4)—7 Morrice 0; 7 Bath 14; 6 Laingsburg 13; 19 Fowler 0; 9 Pewamo-Westphalia 6; 14 Potterville 26; 8 DeWitt 6; 6 Portland St. Pat. 12; 13 New Lothrop 0.

RETURNEES—Roy McFarland, HB; Don Lunsted, HB; Pat Crandall, HB; Gary DePue, HB; Steve Chase, QB; Mark Lott, C; Mike Stubbert, G; Bruce Chamberlain, G; Tim McDaniels, G; Ron Rhines, G; Jack Nicols, T; Ray Griswold, E; Don McCoy, E; Vaughn Van Ordew, E; Russ Lipps, HB; Allen West, E; Rodney Monroe, T.

SCHEDULE—at Morrice; Laingsburg; Fowler; at Pewamo-Westphalia; Potterville; at Dewitt; Portland St. Pat.; at Bath.

LAINGSBURG

Coach John Connelly has 15 returning lettermen from last season's 3-4-1 team, including halfback Ray Curtis, quarterback Gene Smith, end Doug Morrill and tackle Steve McCafferty. Curtis carried the ball for just over five yards a crack and McCafferty made 10 tackles a game, while the Smith-Morrill passing combination was effective in 1967.

LAINGSBURG (3-4-1)—19 Byron 0; 25 Fowler 6; 13 Webberville 6; 0 Pewamo-Westphalia 6; 0 Potterville 12; 6 DeWitt 6; 0 Portland St. Pat. 14; 6 Bath 25.

RETURNEES—Ray Curtis, HB; Gene Smith, QB; Gary Koonter, QB; Gary Van Velsor, E; Doug Morrill, E; Pat Coe, T; Dennis Fralick, G; Dennis Goetschy, G; Jim Turek, HB; Dave McPhail, E; Steve McCafferty, T; Jim Wrobel, T; Rich Veith, FB; Dick Devine, HB; Gary Hart, T.

SCHEDULE—at Byron; at Webberville; Pewamo-Westphalia; at Potterville; DeWitt; at Portland St. Pat.; Bath; Fowler.

FOWLER

Tradition is always the key at Fowler. Coach H. Blaine Dougles' forces have had a 63-18-1 cumulative record in the past 10 seasons. Though Fowler was only 3-5 a year ago, 15 returning lettermen figure to help the club bounce back in '68. Dougles has produced seven all-state players in that time.

FOWLER (3-5)—13 Fulton 0; 6 Laingsburg 25; 9 DeWitt 6; 0 Webberville 19; 6 St. Patrick 33; 6 Pewamo-Westphalia 0; 6 Bath 19; 13 Potterville 20.

PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA

With only eight lettermen returning from the Pirates 1967 squad which posted a 2-5-1 mark, coach Bill Marks may be in for another long season.

PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA (2-5-1)—6 Carson City 6; 6 Portland St. Patrick 33; 0 Bath 27; 6 Laingsburg 0; 6 Webberville 9; 0 Fowler 6; 0 Potterville 8; 18 DeWitt 0.

RETURNEES—Mike Miller; Rex Kramer; Bill Freund; Roger Schafer; Gary Pohl; Everett Genereaux; Larry Fedewa; Don Pohl.

SCHEDULE—at Carson City; Bath; at Laingsburg; Webberville; Fowler; at Potterville; DeWitt; at Portland St. Pat.

DEWITT

There's only one way to go for coach Gary Roberts' Panthers—up. With 16 lettermen returning, Roberts looks for his second year to be a big improvement over his first, when his charges posted a 0-7-1 log. DeWitt will be a small team, with its largest veteran (LeRoy Ward) weighing 190 pounds, but it could make up for this with hustle and spirit.

DEWITT (0-7-1)—0 Olivet 14; 14 Pottersville 35; 6 Fowler 9; 0 Portland St. Pat. 60; 6 Bath 19; 6 Laingsburg 6; 6 Webberville 8; 0 Pewamo-Westphalia 18.

RETURNEES—Mike Dolby, E; Brian Wood, E; LeRoy Ward, T; Rick Snyder, T; Roger Wardell, T; Marty Lankford, G; Craig Panwas, G; Frank Toleson, G; Jeff Tews, C; Joe LaMacchia, QB; Mike Botke, QB; Ron Smith, HB; Ed Fosnight, HB; Chris Brown, HB; Dennis Theroux, HB; Mike Ashley, FB.

SCHEDULE—Olivet; Fowler; Portland St. Pat.; Bath; Laingsburg; Webberville; Pewamo-Westphalia; Potterville.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN LEAGUE

Lutheran Seminary is the best bet, while St. Charles could be considered a darkhorse.

Best Lineman: tackle Rich Bell, St. Charles;
Best Back: quarterback Bob Pasionek, St. Charles.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Michigan Luth. Seminary	6	1	0	St. Charles	3	3	1
				Freeland	2	5	0
Merrill	5	1	1	Breckenridge	2	5	0
Hemlock	4	2	1	Sacred Heart	0	7	0
Shepherd	4	2	1				

MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY

The dean of Saginaw football coaches—Michigan Lutheran Seminary's Lloyd Thompson—will have a tough time matching last year's act but he shouldn't fall too short.

The Cardinal mentor, starting his 17th season, guided Seminary to the league championship last year, despite injuries to his star halfback Glen Thompson. Glen, who is Lloyd's oldest son, missed two games and was only partially healthy in three others but the Cardinals drove to a 6-2 season while winning the CML title with a 6-1 slate.

This year could bring more of the same despite the loss of Thompson and hard-running fullback Jim Herbolsheimer through graduation. Don Thompson, a 175-pound halfback, is ready to fill his older brother's cleats and Aaron Doroff, a steady performer last year, will move into Herbolsheimer's vacated fullback spot.

There's help available from last season's junior varsity squad which had an outstanding season so it's quite possible the Cardinal won't have to give up their crown this year.

LUTHERAN SEMINARY (6-2)—13 Frankenmuth 19; 14 Breckenridge 6; 14 Mt. Pleasant 0; 13 Freeland 0; 7 Shepherd 25; 26 Hemlock 14; 19 Merrill 0; 19 St. Charles 7.

RETURNEES—Don Thompson, HB; Mark Hoenecke, G; Don Zimmerman, G; Tim Iles, C; Don Gutzmer, E; Kim Weber, E; Jim Becker, G; Tim Krueger, E; John Brenner, T; Aaron Doroff, HB; Craig Patranc, C; Walt Street, T; Mike Matteson, LB.
SCHEDULE—at Frankenmuth; Sacred Heart; Freeland; Shepherd; at Hemlock; at Merrill; at St. Charles; Breckenridge.

MERRILL

Merrill's Vandals started off last season in a whirlwind, winning their first five games and reaching the top 10 in state polls before a tie and a 20-0 defeat to Michigan Lutheran Seminary dropped them from the elite rolls. But veteran coach Bob McAnary's squad still finished with a 6-1-1 record to finish second in the league behind Seminary. A repeat of that performance seems highly remote. The Vandals were riddled by graduation and few experienced players are back from the senior-dominated squad. It looks like a rebuilding year for McAnary.
MERRILL (6-1-1)—33 Frankfort 7; 33 Freeland 13; 6 Breckenridge 0; 14 St. Charles 6; 33 MP Sacred Heart 6; 12 Shepherd 12; 0 Seminary 20; 19 Hemlock 7.

SHEPHERD

The Blue Jays put together a 4-4-1 record after dropping their first three games last year, so if the momentum continues, Shepherd could be in the running for the league title. The Blue Jays have plenty to cheep about in the backfield with Rick Nelson, Steve Marshall and Lyle Howard returning to bolster the running attack. The ranks are thinner on the line, but if some talented guards and tackles can be found to clear a path for an explosive backfield, Shepherd will be a definite challenger.
SHEPHERD (4-4-1)—12 St. Louis 14; 6 St. Charles 31; 7 Hemlock 20; 39 MP Sacred Heart 20; 25 Seminary 7; 12 Merrill 12; 13 Freeland 7; 14 Breckenridge 0; 0 Clare 32.
RETURNEES—Rick Nelson, HB; Steve Marshall, HB; Lyle Howard, HB; Bob Watters, QB; Ed Hohlbein, FB.

ST. CHARLES

With most of last year's starters back, the Bulldogs could move into the first division after a fifth place finish in 1967. Coach Jim Hasse welcomes 13 letterwinners. Tackle Rich Bell (210) could be the best lineman in the league. Quarterback Bob Pasionek passed for 11 TD's in only six games last fall.
ST. CHARLES (3-5-1)—12 Montrose 20; 31 Shepard 6; 6 Merrill 14; 13 Freeland 14; 20 Mt. Pleasant 6; 6 Breckenridge 2; 12 Hemlock 12; 7 Michigan Lutheran 19; 0 Chesaning 71.
RETURNEES—Rich Bell, T; Robert Lavoto, G; Jack Schmitter, C; Pat Rusz, G; Ray Guzy, HB; Alan Daly, HB; Bob Pasionek, QB; Ron Mendyk, FB; Chuck Mahoney, E; Leo Marietta, G; Jake Toskey, HB; Steve Johnson, FB; Mike Crampton, C.
SCHEDULE—at Montrose; Michigan Lutheran; at Freeland; at Merrill; Breckenridge; Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart; Hemlock; at Shepherd; Chesaning.

FREELAND

The Falcons floundered to a 3-6 record last fall when it looked as if they would be unbeatable. Now coach Jack Curl is faced with a rebuilding job after the loss of several graduated seniors. There are too many holes to plug this fall for the Falcons to carry much optimism this year.
FREELAND (3-6)—32 Whittemore-Prescott 14; 13 Merrill 33; 14 St. Charles 13; 0 Seminary 13; 13 Hemlock 20; 7 Breckenridge 12; 32 MP Sacred Heart 0; 6 Birch Run 32.

BRECKENRIDGE

The Huskies of Breckenridge will attack through the air in '68 with quarterback Bob Fenner and all-league and all-area receiver Mike Pentrich and Gary Childs, his running mate, all returning. Coach Gene Henderson is understandably optimistic about the coming league season with 16 other lettermen back as well. If Breckenridge can stay away from key injuries, it could move up quite a way from its sixth place finish of '67.
BRECKENRIDGE (3-6)—18 Montabella 6; 0 Merrill 6; 6 Michigan Lutheran Seminary 12; 2 St. Charles 6; 13 Hemlock 23; 13 Freeland 7; 0 Shepherd 14; 13 M.P. Sacred Heart 7; 0 St. Louis 6.
RETURNEES—Bob Fenner, QB; Bob Stoffs, G; Al Kelley, HB; Jay Ballinger, C; Joe Engle, LB; Jim Sherman, T; Ken Londry, T; Barry Decker, T; Bill Wertz, FB; Vic Collins, HB; Jim Zimmerman, HB; Ron Ostrander, E; Dan Shankel, T; Mike Pentrich, E; Gary Childs, E; Barry McCaw, HB; Martin Haag, HB; Brad Vibber, HB; Bruce Hoeflinger, G.
SCHEDULE—Montabella; Merrill; at Hemlock; at St. Charles; Freeland; at Sacred Heart; Shepherd; at Michigan Lutheran Seminary; St. Louis.

MOUNT PLEASANT SACRED HEART

Basketball seems to get the bigger play at this school and football here has been almost as much trouble to the Irish as the potato famine. Coach Bob Utterback, who probably holds the best cage mark of any coach in the state over the past four years (83-5), hasn't been nearly so successful in the fall sport. Utterback left the school, so whoever steps in will have his hands full. The Irish were 0-8 last season and, although improvement on that mark is expected, it will be another long fall.
MPSH (0-8)—0 Cheboygan CC 31; 12 Hemlock 45; 0 Seminary 14; 20 Shepherd 39; 6 Merrill 33; 6 St. Charles 20; 6 Breckenridge 13; 0 Freeland 32.

HEMLOCK, 4-2-1, might improve over last year. The third place team completes the league.

CENTRAL SUBURBAN LEAGUE

Lutheran East has enough material returning to repeat as champions again.
Best Lineman: tackle Bob Niemascz, Lamphere;
Best Back: quarterback Bill Watson, Lamphere.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Lutheran East	4	1	0	Oxford	2	3	0
Lamphere	4	1	0	Harper Woods	1	4	0
Chippewa Valley	3	2	0	Warren Woods	1	4	0

LUTHERAN EAST

Hunting for replacements of five key graduated gridders from the Eagles 1967 5-3-1 team, is fifth-year coach Bob Shippy. If the Eagles can come through with adequate substitutes for these aces, Shippy can look forward to a good season. Leading the list of 15 returning monogram winners are fullback Andy Irvine (175 pounds), tailback Joe Cosens (180) and slotback Ross Bauman (200).
LUTHERAN EAST (5-3-1)—6 Lakeshore 12; 7 River Rouge 6; 27 Warren Woods 0; 46 Harper Woods 0; 0 Lamphere 20; 14 Chippewa Hills 0; 26 Oxford 6; 0 Warren Lincoln 39; 14 Lutheran West 14.
RETURNEES—Joe Cosens, HB; George Spielhaupter, QB; Mark Wilk, LB; Andy Irvine, FB; Chuck Schneider, HB; Gary Stocker, CB; John Faulman, LB; Mike Bates, G; Rick Dasemiller, G; Mike McComsey, G; Keith Miller, C; John Westendorf, T; Don Williams, T; Ross Bauman, SB.
SCHEDULE—Lakeshore; River Rouge; Harper Woods; Lamphere; Oxford; Chippewa Valley; Warren Woods; Warren Lincoln; Lutheran West.

LAMPHERE

Coach George Jesko's Rams will have a strong line returning, but the lack of experienced running backs may pose a problem. Big Bob Niemasz, a 260-pound tackle, leads the defensive contingent, while quarterback Bill Watson (170 pounds) is a top backfield returnee. Niemasz registered 16 unassisted tackles a game last year, and tallied 55 assists. Watson completed 35 of 71 for 10 touchdowns and 578 yards as a junior, in addition to scoring four touchdowns himself. Jesko has 12 monogram winners back.
LAMPHERE (7-1)—24 Clawson 14; 14 Oak Park 6; 0 Chippewa 6; 40 Oxford 0; 20 Lutheran East 0; 32 Warren Woods 0; 21 Harper Woods 0; 47 Fraser 0.
RETURNEES—Bob Watson, QB; Bob Niemasz, T; Art Trancredi, FB-S; Kurt Mitter, LB; Bill Madosky, LB; Paul Hawkins, E; Mark Badgley, E; Roy Williams, T; Rich Sholtis, G; Steve Zajdel, G; Jon Keith, G; Mike Battani, T.
SCHEDULE—at Clawson; Oak Park; at Oxford; Lutheran East; at Warren Woods; Harper Woods; at Chippewa Valley; Open; at Avondale.

CHIPPEWA VALLEY

Entering his second year as head coach, Ron Kocan will be looking for much improvement this season.
The Big Reds were 2-7 last season and have 14 returning lettermen. Quarterback Paul Miller and halfback Mark Carroll, who also plays linebacker, and tackle Terry Kohler head the returnees.
CHIPPEWA VALLEY (2-7)—6 Armada 14; 13 Frazier 20; 6 Lamphere 0; 20 Warren Woods 6; 0 Oxford 6; 13 Harper Woods 20; 0 Lutheran East 14; 12 St. Louis 25; 7 L'Anse Creuse 33.
RETURNEES—Terry Kohler, T; Ron Ribant, HB; Mark Carroll, HB, LB; Ernie Andres, FB; Paul Miller, QB; Tom D'Luge, G; Lee Stanko, E; Dominic Riggio, G; Tom Buday, C; Paul Sleziak, T; Keith Matz, E; Rich Fazekas, HB; Dave Sarnecki, G, LB; Murray Fuhrman, T.
SCHEDULE—Armada; Marysville; Warren Woods; Oxford; Harper Woods; Lutheran East; Lamphere (Md. Hts.); Cross-Lexington; Frazier.

OXFORD

Fullback Chris Kozachik, a 205-pound fullback returns to lead Oxford in '68. The Wildcats, 2-3-0 a year ago, figure to finish about the same this season. Plenty of backfield men return, including Larry Schultz, Terry Horton, Dave Darling, Harry Curtis, Darrell Marsh and Claude Thayer. Line help comes from Randy Woodbeck, Gale Hallock, Randy Shepard, Jerry Podikowski, Dale Hill, Barry Ruff, Ron McIntyre, Ted Rockwell, Larry Rumball, Gary Woods, Jack Delvo and Don Irwin.

WARREN WOODS

The outlook for the Warriors is promising, with 20 lettermen back from a freshmen-sophomore team of last season. Though winning only one game, the Warriors closed with a rush, whipping Oxford 26-0, before losing in the last minute to Lakeview in the season's final game. The line isn't very big, but has adequate speed. Three quarterbacks provide coach Dale Nicholas a problem in whom to choose as a starter—Gary Ciaramataro, Dane Keefe and Doug Carreri. The latter probably has the inside track and last season picked off eight enemy aerials on defense. He's also a fine runner.

WARREN WOODS (1-7)—0 Mott 38; 6 Lincoln 26; 0 Lutheran East 27; 6 Chippewa Valley 21; 7 Harper Woods 12; 0 Lamphere 32; 26 Oxford 0; 12 Lakeview 18.

SCHEDULE—at Mott; at Lincoln; Chippewa Valley; at Harper Woods; Lamphere; at Oxford; Lutheran East; Hazel Park.

HARPER WOODS completes the league, and doesn't figure to be a big winner if a winner at all in '68.

CHIPPEWA CONFERENCE

Lake City again is the best bet, but Beal City may surprise everybody. Onekama is another distinct possibility.

Best Lineman: tackle Len Deising, Onekama;

Best Back: halfback Dennis Kerkelrath, Onekama.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Lake City	4	0	0	Beal City	2	2	0
Marion	2	2	0	Pine River	0	4	0
Baldwin	2	2	0				

LAKE CITY

Winning seven and losing one, the Trojans rolled to the conference championship with an average of over 29 points per game. Six of the seven offensive linemen return, so coach Bob Wells is looking forward to another fine season. Two men from the backfield were lost, but other fine runners are ready to take over.

LAKE CITY (7-1)—32 Houghton Lake 13; 21 Baldwin 0; 59 Pine River 0; 47 Marion 0; 20 Beal City 7; 39 Onekama 0; 0 Roscommon 7.

RETURNEES—Larry Keelean, E; Steve Bogeoff, T; Dale Mosher, G; Rodger LaGrone, C; Rick Bradley, G; Mike Totton, E; Bill Palmer, QB; Doug Rosted, E; Martin Hutchinson, T.

MARION

Coming back from an unsatisfactory 2-4-2 record last year, the Eagles are bringing back 14 lettermen.

Although it needs depth at end and tackle, Marion seems to take a bright view of the season. The 6-1 J.V.'s, along with their leading rusher, should help quite a bit.

MARION (2-4-2)—6 Evart 6; 6 Chippewa Hills 14; 32 Baldwin 0; 36 Pine River 0; 0 Lake City 47; 0 Harrison 7; 12 Rosscommon 12; 6 Beal City 13.

RETURNEES—Dale Williams, C; Ron Alberts, G; Mike Grice, G; John Kelly, E; Dale VanDe Walker, T; Alvin Thompsen, T; Ron Hyde, T; Bruce Blevins, HB; Barry Prielipp, FB; Kacy Bondy, FB; Mike Jenkins, HB; Greg Crowe, QB; Mark Outman, QB; Keith Grandy, HB.

SCHEDULE—at Evart; Onekama; Lake City; at Baldwin; Beal City; at Pine River; Harrison; at Roscommon.

BEAL CITY

Experienced and fast will be the Aggies forces this season, but a lack of size may take its toll in coach Thomas Guy's bid for a good campaign. With 15 lettermen returning, including two-year veteran quarterback Randy Schaffer (150 pounds), halfbacks Insung Oaks (140), Harold Straus (140) and Rick Yunker (135), and guards George Straus (160) and Ron Pung (140). Of the returning lettermen, George Straus and Dave Millard are the heaviest—160 pounds.

BEAL CITY (4-3-1)—6 Ashley 6; 18 Onekama 6; 7 Baldwin 12; 22 Pine River 0; 7 Lake City 20; 7 Vestaburg 12; 6 Farwell 0; 14 Marion 2.

RETURNEES—Ron Pung, G; George Straus, G; Tim Hauck, T; Steve Fox, C; Jack Rau, G; Bob Rau, G; Ken Block, C; Casey Straus, E; Dave Millard, C; Randy Schaffer, QB; Harold Straus, HB; Insung Oaks, HB; Rick Yunker, HB; Randy Pohl, HB; Earl Smity, HB.

SCHEDULE—Ashley; Onekama; Baldwin; Pine River; Marion; Lake City; Vestaburg; Farwell.

PINE RIVER

Pine River hopes to escape the league cellar after finishing there in 1967. Coach Ralph V. Hurley will have 10 lettermen back. This is only the third year of football for the Bucks.

PINE RIVER (1-6)—0 Roscommon 33; 0 Marion 32; 0 Lake City 59; 0 Beal City 22; 20 Gaylord St. Mary's 13; 12 Baldwin 26; 12 Onekama 28.

RETURNEES—Mark Nixon, G; Dan Stemen, E; Rick Frisbie, HB; Dale Holmes, T; Nels Johnson, QB; Fred Moore, T; Pat Wilson, HB; Dan Flynn, HB; Eric Jennings, T; Bill Logan, G.

SCHEDULE—at Roscommon; at Lake City; at Beal City; Onekama; at Baldwin; Marion; Gaylord St. Marys.

ONEKAMA

The Portagers enter the Chippewa League with enough material to make their initial appearance felt strongly. Onekama coach Jim Taylor has 14 lettermen returning from last season's 4-2 squad and the Portagers, who just started football four years ago, are ready to come into their own. Sophomore whiz Dennis Werkelrath gained more than 100 yards four times as a freshman and by midseason was starting on defense as a cornerback. Lack of experienced guards may hurt, but the Portagers could go all the way in their first year as a league member.

ONEKAMA (4-2)—26 Brethren 12; 7 Beal City 18; 19 Traverse City (JV's) 6; 13 Baldwin 0; 28 Pine River 12; 0 Lake City 39.

RETURNEES—Tim Krare, QB; George Goodrich, E; Darwin Wahr, HB; Phil Lewis, E; Bill Deising, E; Del Kelly, FB; Bob Edens, T; Len Deising, T; Ted Guidmond, T; Dave Peters, G; Larry McClendon, C; Rich Anderson, FB; John Green, QB; Den Kerkelrath, HB.

SCHEDULE—Brethren; at Marion; Baldwin; at Pine River; Lake City; at Beal City; Open.

BALDWIN rounds out the league and is as good a possibility to improve as any team.

COPPER COUNTRY CONFERENCE

Hancock is the best bet, while L'Anse and Calumet are distant darkhorses.

Best Lineman: center Terry Brocmer, Ontonagon;

Best Back: quarterback Greg Eckhart, Calumet.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Hancock	5	0	0	Calumet	1	3	1
Crystal Falls	4	1	0	Ontonagon	1	4	0
L'Anse	2	2	1	Houghton	1	4	0

L'ANSE

A young and inexperienced L'Anse team could be a title contender in the conference if the offense materializes. Coach Jim Mattson has 13 returning lettermen from last year's 3-3-2 Purple Hornet squad. Expected to be standouts on both offense and defense are Roland Huhtala, Don Michaelson, Dan Descharne, Craig Struble, Robert Reed and Robert Teddy. All play both ways.

L'ANSE (3-3-2)—7 Ontonago 0; 13 Calumet 13; 9 Gwinn 13; 19 Houghton 0; 0 Crystal Falls 25; 32 Marquette Baraga 6; 0 Hancock 25; 13 Stephenson 13.

RETURNEES—Jim Derocher, QB; Clyde Selden, HB; Dan Deschaine, HB; Don Michaelson, HB; Gary Nankeruis, FB; Craig Struble, E; Tom Deschaine, C; Keith Whitman, C; Robert Teddy, G; Robert Reed, G; Tom Selden, T; Roland Huhtala, T; John Tembruell, E.

SCHEDULE—Ontonagon; at Calumet; Gwinn; Houghton; at Crystall Falls; at Stephenson; Hancock; Lake Linden.

CALUMET

The combination of the Copper Kings losing few starters and their opponents losing many could spell a good '68 season for coach Wayne Sickler. Fourteen lettermen will return after suffering a disappointing 1-6-1 season. Bright spots in '68 include quarterback Greg Eckhart, back Mike Usitalo, and linemen Bob Mukka and Paul Tatrow.

CALUMET (1-6-1)—6 Bessemer 33; 13 L'Anse 13; 13 Houghton 12; 20 Ontonagon 28; 6 Ironwood 19; 20 Hancock 31; 15 Gwinn 20; 13 Crystal Falls 20.

RETURNEES—Greg Eckhart, QB; Mike Usitalo, HB; Tom Dimmer, QB; Glen Stevens, HB; Mark Rowe, E; Mark Anderson, E; Bob Mukka, T; Charles Teddy, T; Paul Tatrow, G; Bob Ekdahl, G; Bob Hodges, E; Lon Reilly, T; Jim Hosking, C; Joe LeVeque, FB.

SCHEDULE—Bessemer; L'Anse; at Houghton; Ontonagon; at Ironwood; at Hancock; Gwinn; at Crystal Falls.

ONTONAGON

Coach Ken Olson of Ontonagon has a raft of lettermen to build the fortunes of the Gladiators this season in the conference race. Heading the list are quarterback Ron Cleary and halfback Mick Hegg. The front-line troops boast excellent size in 240-pound center Terry Brocmer, tackles Ken Kioski at 230 pounds and Ed Taronowski at 190 pounds. Backs John Dupic, Harold Reichardt and Dave Radovich are among 11 other returning lettermen.

ONTONAGON (2-4-1)—0 L'Anse 7; 13 Maple (Wis.) 6; 13 Lake Linden 13; 7 Hancock 21; 0 Crystal Falls 42; 12 Houghton 13; 28 Calumet 20.

RETURNEES—Ron Cleary, QB; Mick Hegg, HB; Don Floyd, E; Terry Brocmer, C; Ken Kioski, T; Harold Reichardt, QB; Ed Taranowski, T; John Dupic, HB; Dennis Kirouac, G; Stan Smydra, G; Derek Hoiska, G; Bill Fezzey, E; Dave Radovich, QB; Gerald Stark, E; Randy Maki, G.

SCHEDULE—L'Anse; Maple, Wisc.; Lake Linden; Hancock; Crystal Falls; Houghton; Calumet.

HOUGHTON

The Gremlins regroup after winning only two games in 1967, a one-point squeaker over Ontonagon and a 26-13 conquest of winless Marquette Bishop Baraga. Top target will be Hancock, the sister-city rival which took a 7-0 verdict in a hard-fought battle last October.

HOUGHTON (2-6-0)—6 Wakefield 25; 12 Calumet 13; 0 L'Anse 19; 26 Marquette Baraga 13; 0 Lake Linden 6; 13 Ontonagon 12; 0 Hancock 7; 13 Crystal Falls 31.

HANCOCK, last year's champ, rounds out the loop, and is again a threat to go all the way.

DETROIT CATHOLIC LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION—CENTRAL

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Brother Rice	6	1	0	Austin	2	4	1
Notre Dame	6	1	0	Salesian	2	4	1
Catholic Central	5	2	0	Detroit Cathedral	2	5	0
U of D High	4	3	0	De La Salle	0	7	0

Brother Rice, Notre Dame and Catholic Central should be at each other's throats all season to gain the top spot, while U of D is another possibility.

Best Lineman: center Bob Johnson, U of D;

Best Back: halfback Tom Valente, U of D.

BROTHER RICE

Although he lost All-State quarterback Bill Rose, coach Joe Pascuzzi's Brother Rice Warriors could be strong contenders in the Central Division. Standouts on a big line are Terry Sullivan, 6-4, 220 center; Mike McGill, 6-5, 220 end; and John Fontanesi, 6-2, 250 tackle. Supplying running power will be fullback Tom Bruce and halfback Mike O'Clair. All the Warriors need is someone to take over at quarterback to be on their way.

BROTHER RICE (6-1)—7 U-D 14; 34 Salesian 14; 20 Detroit Cathedral 0; 20 Catholic Central 6; 26 De La Salle 0; 13 Austin 6; 14 Notre Dame 0; 6 Divine Child 20; 26 Seaholm 6.

RETURNEES—Ed Naughton, T; John Fontanesi, T; Dan Tomlinson, G; Mike Biallas, LB; Tom Bruce, FB; Mike O'Clair, HB; Mike McGill, E; Terry Sullivan, C; John Maloney, QB.

SCHEDULE—Notre Dame; U-D; Salesian; Detroit Cathedral; Catholic Central; De La Salle; Austin; Open; Seaholm.

NOTRE DAME

It could be a repeat performance for co-coaches Paul Van Dam and Harvey Eckhardt's Notre Dame Irish this season. They were co-champs in the Central Division last year with a 6-1 record. They have eight lettermen back and two of them are the Radzik twins, Gary a tackle and Glenn a guard, both at 230-pounds.

NOTRE DAME (6-1)—33 De La Salle 0; 26 Catholic Central 13; 35 Salesian 0; 26 Cathedral 6; 20 Austin 6; 14 U-D 13; 0 Brother Rice 14.

RETURNEES—Bob DeLisi, FB; Gary Mize, QB; Dave Vago, C; Terry Bugarelli, HB; Larry Hoste, T; Glenn Radzik, G; Gary Radzik, T; Gary Coakley, E.

SCHEDULE—Brother Rice; De La Salle; Catholic Central; Salesian; Cathedral; Austin; U-D.

CATHOLIC CENTRAL

Slowed down by injuries last season, coach William Foley's Catholic Central Shamrocks still managed to post a 5-2 record in the Central Division. With 20 returning lettermen and many younger boys moving up, things look optimistic for the Shamrocks. Outstanding performers will be two halfbacks Kevin Groth, hard running and quick, along with Mike McGowan, a smart, powerful runner. Holding the fort in the line is Paul Maynard, a 191-pound center.

CATHOLIC CENTRAL (5-2)—39 Austin 0; 13 Notre Dame 26; 8 U-D 7; 6 Brother Rice 20; 38 De La Salle 13; 26 Salesian 6; 27 Detroit Cathedral 0.

RETURNEES—Mike Kemen, LB; Mark Schanik, T; Mike McGowan, HB; Chris Duffey, QB; Tom Tucker, G; Kevin Groth, HB; Pat O'Connor, E; Paul Maynard, C; Marx Braciszewski, FB.

SCHEDULE—Detroit Cathedral; Austin; Notre Dame; U-D; Brother Rice; De La Salle; Salesian.

UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT

All coach Frank Buford's University of Detroit Cubs need are a rebuilt secondary to make trouble in the Central Division. Bob Johnson, 6-4, 235, All-Central Division center-tackle returns to anchor the line. Ron Stier, All-Central Division tackle and Dennis Corona, a guard are also stalwarts on the line. Tom Valente, a thunderbolt halfback returns after gaining 335 yards for a 6.2 average and seven touchdowns last season.

U-D (4-3)—14 Brother Rice 7; 47 De La Salle 7; 7 Catholic Central 8; 35 Cathedral 7; 39 Austin 6; 13 Notre Dame 14; 7 Salesian 10.

RETURNEES—Brian Balaze, E; Dennis Corona, T; Tom DeLaura, G; Mike Polsinelli, QB; Ron Stier, G; Bob Johnson, C-T; Tom Valente, HB; Kevin Giblin, FB.

SCHEDULE—Salesian; Brother Rice; De La Salle; Catholic Central; Cathedral; Austin; Notre Dame.

AUSTIN

Coach Larry Rancilio faces a rebuilding season in the line where only four lettermen return including no tackles and only one guard. End Mike Varty caught 12 passes last fall and averaged eight tackles per game on defense as the Friars finished fifth in the conference. Larry Pfaff returns at quarterback with four others in the backfield. Mike Oliver (175) and Mark Kelly (175) are fullbacks with experience.

DETROIT AUSTIN (3-4-1)—0 Detroit Catholic Central 39; 21 Detroit Cathedral 19; 13 Detroit Salesian 13; 6 Detroit Notre Dame 20; 7 U. of Detroit High 39; 6 Brother Rice 13; 12 Hazel Park 6; 13 Detroit De La Salle 0.

RETURNEES—Pat Kawa, G; Mike Varty, E; John Varty, E; Larry Pfaff, QB; Tony Ricoboro, HB; Dick Rancilio, HB; Ray Hermann, C; Mike Oliver, FB; Mark Kelly, FB;

SCHEDULE—De La Salle; Catholic Central; Cathedral; Salesian; Notre Dame; U. of Detroit; Rice.

SALESIAN

Salesian's head coach Miles Currie faces a major rebuilding job. The Knights have 12 lettermen back from last fall's unit.

SALESIAN (2-4-1)—6 Detroit Cathedral 7; 13 Austin 13; 13 Brother Rice 34; 13 De La Salle 0; 0 Notre Dame 35; 6 Catholic Central 26; 10 University of Detroit 7.

RETURNEES—Ray Bolduc, G; Dennis Killeen, HB; Kevin Williams, G; Al Papenheim, E; Dick Smith, G; Ralph Bedogne, HB; Mitch Lukasik, FB; Ken Karpslis, FB; Tom Dycio, HB; Mike Haller, G; Saleh Faycurry, T; Joe Hall, E; Bob Burke, HB.

SCHEDULE—U. of Detroit; Detroit Cathedral; Austin; Brother Rice; De La Salle; Notre Dame; Catholic Central.

CATHEDRAL and DE LA SALLE round out the league, both finishing at the bottom last year. The same is a distinct possibility this fall.

DOUBLE-A

Servite figures to be the best of the lot, but the other top teams from last season, Divine Child and St. Ambrose, will also make their presence felt.

Best Lineman: tackle Bill Dulac, Bishop Gallagher;

Best Back: quarterback Frank Kolch, Servite.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Divine Child	6	1	0	St. Mary Redford	3	4	0
Servite	6	1	0	Bishop Gallagher	2	5	0
St. Ambrose	6	1	0	Holy Redeemer	1	6	0
Shrine	4	3	0	Benedictine	0	7	0

SERVITE

With 22 lettermen, including 16 of the first 22, returning from the 1967 team, coach Mike D'Angelo's Servite Panthers seem a sure bet to equal their 6-1 record of last year. Key man in the Panthers' potent attack is quarterback Frank Kolch, who passed for 1,300 yards and 12 touchdowns last year. The All-Catholic performer has been a two-time All-State honorable mention for two years. He has a three year career record of 3,200 yards passing and 32 touchdowns.

SERVITE (6-1)—49 Benedictine 7; 35 St. Ambrose 27; 13 Divine Child 33; 28 Shrine 26; 19 Holy Redeemer 0; 18 St. Mary's 13; 7 Bishop Gallagher 0.

RETURNEES—Don Guerrini, C; Glen Haynor, E; Mike Achs, G; Al Brengman, T; Ed Trombley, HB; Bob Cantlon, G; Frank Kolch, QB; Frank Kirshner, FB; Jim Langan, T; Dave Kirschke, E.

SCHEDULE—Bishop Gallagher; Benedictine; St. Ambrose; Divine Child; Shrine; Redeemer; St. Mary's.

ST. AMBROSE

Graduation takes nine starters from last year's team, but freshman coach Joe D'Angelo's St. Ambrose Cavaliers will have a strong group of youngsters moving up. They tied for first place last year. Frank Crachiolo was an outstanding end and defensive back, who intercepted 10 passes, three of them for touchdowns. An outstanding tackler was defensive back Paul Hayner. Dave Mills averaged 4-5 yards as a reserve player.

ST. AMBROSE (6-1)—32 Bishop Gallagher 6; 27 Servite 35; 20 Shrine 18; 25 Divine Child 14; 7 St. Mary's 0; 40 Holy Redeemer 7; 20 Benedictine 14.

RETURNEES—Al Mele, G; Jim Higgins, T; Dan Kurdziel, C; Bill Nolan, HB; Paul Hayner, HB; Frank Crachiolo, E; Dave Mills, FB; Guy Dinverno, G; Don Pryor, T.

SCHEDULE—Benedictine; Bishop Gallagher; Servite; Shrine; Divine Child; Holy Redeemer; St. Mary's.

SHRINE

"We will be small but quick," according to coach Albert Fracassa.

Fracassa will have 14 returning lettermen from last season's 4-3 team which finished fourth.

Halfback Bill Nitchman scored six touchdowns last season on an average of 5.8 yards per carry. He also received 10 passes for 185 yards.
SHRINE (4-3)—0 Divine Child 20; 21 St. Mary's 7; 18 St. Ambrose 21; 26 Servite 28; 20 Bishop Gallagher 6; 26 Benedictine 14; 39 Holy Redeemer 8.
RETURNEES—Bill Nitchman, HB; Tom Martin, G; Larry Brown, T; Bill Simpson, QB; Dave Leh, E; Kev Fouchey, T; Doug Seymour, T; Tif Kaczkowski, G; Al Kaczkowski, C; Tom Antonow, B; Bob Lively, B; Dan Dickson, B; Kevin McKay, B; Bud Krause, B.
SCHEDULE—Holy Redeemer; Divine Child; St. Mary; St. Ambrose; Servite; Bishop Gallagher; Benedictine.

ST. MARY'S

Nearly wrecked by the graduation of 15 seniors, coach Walt Bazylewicz's St. Mary of Redford Rustics are facing a major rebuilding job. How they finish in the league, will depend on how quarterback Bill Neville develops. Halfbacks Joseph McMillan and Craig Lesinki must also come around quickly. Despite all the work that must be done, look for the Rustics to be tough competitors.
ST MARY (3-4)—20 Holy Redeemer 0; 7 Shrine 20; 20 Bishop Gallagher 0; 7 Benedictine 0; 0 St. Ambrose 7; 15 Servite 18; 0 Divine Child 28.
RETURNEES—Mike O'Connor, E; Mark Tobin, T; Greg Abdoo, G; Carl Hemming, HB; Bill Neville, QB; Gary Hool, G; Gene Paterni, C; Joseph McMillan, HB; Craig Lesinki, HB; Joe Tibaldi, T.
SCHEDULE—Divine Child; Holy Redeemer; Shrine; Bishop Gallagher; Benedictine; St. Ambrose; Servite.

BISHOP GALLAGHER

Though the Lancers managed only two wins in seven outings last year, don't count coach Jim Bresciami's squad out this fall. He welcomes back 12 lettermen with plenty of talent, headed by 235-pound tackle Bill Dulac. The 6-3 senior also doubles at defensive end and few run over him. Halfbacks Dan Marley, Jim Griffen, Don Mancinelli and Mark Furgal are all back, so running problems should be small. Harry Peterson, who intercepted 11 passes last fall, returns at end along with Pete Rinehart. Lack of an experienced quarterback will hurt the Lancers but Gallagher could cause league powers Servite and St. Ambrose a lot of trouble.
GALLAGHER (2-5)—6 St. Ambrose 37; 7 Benedictine 6; 0 St. Mary's 20; 33 Holy Redeemer 6; 7 Shrine 19; 7 Divine Child 27; 0 Servite 7.
RETURNEES—Harry Patterson, E; Pete Rinehart, E; Bill Dulac, T; Tom Kuess, G; John Rousseau, G; Julies Fiani, C; Don Mancinelli, HB; Mark Furgal, HB; Ben DeAngelo, HB; Brent Koldueidt, HB; Jim Griffen, HB; Dan Marley, HB.
SCHEDULE—Servite; at St. Ambrose; Benedictine; St. Mary's; at Holy Redeemer; Shrine; at Divine Child.

HOLY REDEEMER

With 14 returning lettermen things are looking brighter than they have in the past two seasons for coach Wegrzynowicz's Holy Redeemer Lions. Key players will be Mac Deuparo, a 5-9, 155-pound fullback and James Watt, a 5-10, 175-pound guard. Both are outstanding blockers for the Lions. Directing the offense will be quarterback Ben Jurkunas, who will have some promising backs to work with.
HOLY REDEEMER (1-6)—9 St. Mary's 20; 0 Divine Child 40; 20 Benedictine 6; 13 Bishop Gallagher 26; 7 St. Ambrose 38; 0 Servite 19; 6 Shrine 38.
RETURNEES—Toly Samonie, HB; Thomas Baker, T; James Watt, G; Ben Jurkunas, QB; Bill Barlow, E; Greg Suclyta, C; Mac Deuparo, FB; Lee Juarez, HB; Joe LaChapelle, G; Ken Seguin, E.
SCHEDULE—Shrine; St. Mary's; Divine Child; Benedictine; Servite; Bishop Gallagher; St. Ambrose.

BENEDICTINE

Things look promising for coach David Brazil's Benedictine Ravens. He feels that they'll be small, but fast and tougher than they were last year. The Ravens will have 11 lettermen returning.
BENEDICTINE (1-7)—7 Servite 45; 6 Bishop Gallagher 7; 12 Holy Redeemer 22; 0 St. Mary's 6; 0 Divine Child 25; 14 Shrine 24; 14 St. Ambrose 20; 33 Lutheran West 18.
RETURNEES—John Gargard, E; Tim Leto, LB; Mick O'Connell, QB; Pat Zajac, WB; Rick Johnson, FB; James Guzy, T; Chuck Collins, QB-K; Jim Flarehty, T; John Carpenter, HB; Joe Provenzola, LB; Gary Salaski, SE.
SCHEDULE—St. Ambrose; Servite; Bishop Gallagher; Holy Redeemer; St. Mary's; Divine Child; Shrine.

DIVINE CHILD, one of the titlists last fall, is back and should be equally tough this time around.

A-EAST

St. Clement may be just a shade better than East Catholic as the season starts, but considerable juggling could take place in the league standings as the season progresses, because many teams are young and inexperienced.

Best Lineman: guard Steve Moyland, East Catholic;
Best Back: halfback Gerald Madynski, St. David.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
East Catholic	6	0	1	St. Ladislaus	3	4	0
St. Clement	5	0	2	St. Florian	3	4	0
Sacred Heart				Bishop Foley	1	6	0
Roseville	4	2	1	St. Paul	0	7	0
St. David	3	2	2				

EAST CATHOLIC

The prospects for a good season for coach Harold Popp's East Catholic Green Berets will depend a great deal on freshmen, who will be sophomores this year. Graduation thinned the ranks of the Green Berets, who posted a 6-0-1 record last year. At the helm, as he has been for three varsity seasons, will be quarterback William Habib. An outstanding guard is Steve Moylon, who intercepted three passes last season. He is a great hitter.
EAST CATHOLIC (6-0-1)—19 St. David 12; 44 St. Paul 7; 13 Roseville 0; 20 St. Ladislaus 6; 40 Bishop Foley 0; 55 St. Florian 0; 14 St. Clement 14.
RETURNEES—Tony Benacguisto, C; Roy Strong, G; William Habib, QB; Dennis Perry, E; Steve Moylon, G; Jeff Sinclair, HB; Mike Zieleck, FB; Leroy Allen, E; John Harris, HB.

CENTERLINE ST. CLEMENT

St. Clement, if all goes well, should have a successful season. Ten lettermen return. Help is needed the most in the backfield, while there are several holes in the line to be filled.
ST. CLEMENT (5-0-2)—31 Bishop Foley 6; 13 St. Ladislaus 0; 18 St. Florian 6; 12 St. David 12; 27 St. Paul 0; 6 Sacred Heart 0; 14 East Catholic 14.
RETURNEES—Joe DeLamielleure; Steve Goniwiecha; Al Herrmann; Ed Kaiser; Al Potyok; Bernard Przybycki; Tom Schoenherr; Joe Weigand; Brad Chapp; Rick Killewald.
SCHEDULE—East Catholic; St. David; St. Paul; Bishop Foley; at Sacred Heart; at Nativity; bye; at St. Anthony; at St. Ladislaus.

ROSEVILLE SACRED HEART

Having lost 20 players from last season's club to graduation, Sacred Heart faces much playing inexperience, at least to start. The '68 team will, however, be bigger and stronger. Two sophomore backs will be counted on heavily to carry the load. The first team could be strong, but depth is absent everywhere.
SACRED HEART (4-2-1)—8 St. Ladislaus 0; 13 Bishop Foley 0; 0 East Catholic 13; 13 St. Paul 0; 6 St. David 6; 0 St. Clement 6; 55 St. Florian 6.
RETURNEES—John Schalter, C; Jack Knapp, G; Gary Schornack, G; Mike Moritz, T; Greg Wieczerzat, T; Steve Budde, E; John Pierce, E; John Marentette, QB; Dennis Jelley, FB; Bob Vadalabene, HB.
SCHEDULE—Nativity; bye; at St. Anthony; at St. Ladislaus; St. Clement; at St. David; St. Paul; at Bishop Foley; East Catholic.

ST. DAVID

The Aviators of St. David have three outstanding lettermen returning from last year's team that posted a 3-2-2 record. Top man in this group is Gerald Madynski, a 5-10, 190-pound halfback. Also showing great promise are halfbacks Patrick Perry, a 5-6, 140-pounder and Michael Zygmontowicz, 5-10, 155-pounder.
ST. DAVID (3-2-2)—12 E. Catholic 19; 19 St. Florian 26; 31 St. Ladislaus 7; 12 St. Clement 12; 6 Sacred Heart 6; 32 St. Paul 7; 18 Bishop Foley 7.
RETURNEES—Patrick Perry, HB; Michael Zygmontowicz, HB; Gerald Madynski, HB.

ST. LADISLAUS

Coach Mike Soluk is looking ahead to a better season in 1968 because of 13 returning lettermen. The Greyhounds finished fifth last fall. They are led by fullback Mike Danielewicz and center Brad Dery (210). Other top players are Don Smitowski at halfback and Mike Zalucki at quarterback.
ST. LADISLAUS (3-4)—0 Sacred Heart 8; 0 St. Clement 13; 7 St. David 31; 6 East Catholic 20; 21 St. Florian 13; 25 Bishop Foley 6; 18 St. Paul 0.
RETURNEES—Mike Danielewicz, FB; Dave Buslepp, G; Mike Zalucki, QB; Don Smitowski, HB; Steve Wojciechowski, HB; Chris Buslepp, DB; George Marshall, T; Larry Klukowski, T; Brad Dery, C; Mike Przybylski, G; Bob McNamara, HB; Bob Henige, T; Robert Uhl, E.

BISHOP FOLEY

One of the newest members of the Detroit Catholic League, Bishop Foley, hopes to make a dent in the East League of the Second Division standings as it competes for the first time with a senior class. Needless to say, coach Bill Boulus has all his players returning. The Ventures will still be a young team, led by sophomores Dick Sanders at quarterback, Don Scruggs at halfback and Greg Gizinski at fullback. Junior halfback Mike Szymanski also returns along with classmates

Tony Bawles (245-pound tackle) and Ken Scislowicz (225-pound linebacker).
BISHOP FOLEY (1-6)—6 St. Clement 31; 0 Rose. Sacred Heart 13; 13 G. P. St. Paul 6; 6 St. Florian 20; 0 East Catholic 40; 6 St. Ladislaus 25; 7 St. David 18.

GROSSE PTE. ST. PAUL

Prospects are considered good for the Lakers, though they can only improve after last fall's winless campaign. Coach Jerry Smith has nine lettermen back.
ST. PAUL (0-7)—0 St. Florian 12; 7 E. Catholic 44; 6 Bishop Foley 13; 0 Sacred Heart 13; 0 St. Clement 27; 7 St. David 32; 0 St. Ladislaus 18.
RETURNEES—Mike Nally, LB; Tom Nally, TE; Dennis Nally, T; Gordon Piche, QB; Mike Corcoran, HB; Terry Allaro, HB; Dennis Hayes, C; Doug MacEachern, T; Mike Corbett, FB.

ST. FLORIAN, 3-4 a year ago, completes the league.

A-WEST

Cabrini and Sacred Heart will battle all the way again for the top spot.
Best Lineman: guard Curt Geisler, Sacred Heart;
Best Back: halfback Jim Wilson, Sacred Heart.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Cabrini	6	0	1	St. Anthony	3	4	0
Sacred Heart				Gabriel Richard	2	4	1
Dearborn	6	1	0	De Porres	1	6	0
O. L. Lourdes	5	2	0	St. Alphonsus	0	7	0
St. Hedwig	4	3	0				

SACRED HEART

Things are looking very optimistic for coach Ron Read's Sacred Heart of Dearborn Shamrocks. They could have a championship contender with 14 returning lettermen. He wil have two all-league halfbacks returning from the team that posted a 6-1 record last year. Curt Geisler was the leading tackler with 49 solo and 22 assisted tackles. Halfback Jim Wilson scored 13 touchdowns with 1,146 yards total offense for an 8.9 average.
SACRED HEART (6-1)—32 Gabriel Richard 7; 33 St. Alphonsus 0; 6 Cabrini 8; 19 St. Anthony 6; 21 St. Hedwig 0; 26 Lourdes 0; 27 De Porres 12.
RETURNEES—Mike Quellette, C; Mike Violi, T; Pat Temple, HB; Keith Carroll, QB; Curt Geisler, G; Jim Wilson, HB; Scott Ryder, E; Pat Breault, G; Mark Miot, FB.
SCHEDULE—De Porres; Gabriel Richard; St. Alphonsus; Cabrini; Bishop Burgess; St. Hedwig; Lourdes; Aquinas.

ST. ANTHONY

Besides losing their entire backfield, coach Dennis Anderson's St. Anthony Teutons are moving from the First Division A-West to A-East. He will be missing two All A-West performers, in halfback Jim Rogalski, who scored eight touchdowns and end John Mueller. One bright spot is the return of his fine line. If quarterback Bob Tipsword and halfbacks John Bower and Tom Cullinhan come through, they could improve on their record of 3-4 of last year.
ST. ANTHONY (3-4)—6 St. Francis 13; 27 De Porres 13; 31 Gabriel Richard 0; 6 Sacred Heart 19; 13 Lourdes 19; 0 St. Hedwig 13; 20 St. Alphonsus 6.
RETURNEES—Tom Rademacher, G; Greg Pietrzak, G; Bob Tipsword, QB; Dennis Lantzy, C; John Bower, HB; Dave Mancina, T; Tom Cullinhan, HB; Brian Castelyn, E; Jim Di Meo, T.

GABRIEL RICHARD

Things are looking up for coach Jack R. Arduin's Gabriel Richard Pioneers with their first senior class and 29 returning lettermen. The Pioneers posted a 2-3 record last season and should do better this year. Mike DeSana returns at quarterback and he will have his favorite target halfback Biff Tyrna back. The all-league and all-area Tyrna scored six touchdowns and seven point-after-touchdowns. John Weise is an outstanding pulling guard and transfer Mike Cavevon adds running power at halfback.
GABRIEL RICHARD (2-3)—7 Sacred Heart 32; 19 O. L. Lourdes 24; 0 St. Anthony 31; 13 St. Martin 6; 6 St. Frances 16; 21 St. Alphonsus 0; 6 St. Hedwig 7; 18 St. Cecilia 6.
RETURNEES—Jerry Chadonnet, HB; David Charron, T; Mike DeSana, QB; Crary May, C; John Weise, G; Biff Tyrna, HB; Mike Hartruuft, E; Bob Wade, FB.

CABRINI, LOURDES, ST. HEDWIG, DE PORRES and ST. ALPHONSUS complete the line-up of teams on the West Side.

DETROIT CATHOLIC LEAGUE SECOND DIVISION

EAST

St. Thomas will try to fight off St. Mary to win the league title again. St. Martin is also a distinct possibility.

Best Lineman: linebacker Jim Stokas, St. Gregory;
Best Back: halfback Jim Essian, St. Martin.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
St. Thomas	7	0	0	Nativity	2	4	1
St. Mary, Mt. Clem	6	1	0	St. Gregory	2	5	0
St. Martin	4	2	1	St. Stanislaus	1	6	0
St. Louis, Mt. Clem	3	2	2	St. Philip	1	6	0

ST. THOMAS

The Bluestreaks must replace outstanding players at quarterback and end if they hope to repeat as conference champions. Coach Dan Riney welcomes back 14 lettermen including seven backs. He must find a guard where only one veteran returns. Jim Naski is a fine two-way player at fullback and middle linebacker. Mark Honey (190) at guard and George Matus (195) at tackle lead the line.
ST. THOMAS (7-0)—14 St. Louis 6; 6 St. Martin 0; 1 (forfeit) Nativity 0; 20 St. Gregory 0; 38 St. Philip 0; 31 St. Stanislaus 12; 14 St. Mary's 12.
RETURNEES—Mike Honey, G; Dennis Sharkey, HB; Ken Jablonski, HB; Dave Madak, FB; Jim Mandeville, QB; Jim Bochenek, QB; Jim Naski, FB; Ken Wynirmko, E; Tom Burczynski, E; Jerry Kulma, E; Larry Kloka, C; Jim Macuga, T; Jerome Mroczkowki, T; Tom Spybrook, HB.
SCHEDULE—St. Mary's; St. Louis; St. Martin; St. Florian; St. Gregory; St. Philip; St. Stanislaus.

ST. MARTIN

Things are looking bright for coach Dan Bunting's Cadets. They have 27 lettermen returning from the unit that posted a 5-2-1 record. Back is All-City halfback Jim Essian, who gained 1,295 yards and scored 15 touchdowns and All-Catholic end Ted Goolsby, who had over 800 yards on pass completions and scored seven touchdowns. Goolsby, also a linebacker, was a bulwark on the Cadets' defensive unit.
ST. MARTIN (5-2-1)—27 Nativity 6; 0 St. Thomas 6; 7 St. Mary 13; 37 St. Gregory 6; 24 St. Stanislaus 0; 13 St. Louis 13; 35 St. Philip 0; 21 St. James 7.
RETURNEES—Howard Daniels, HB; Robert DeClercq, E; Jim Essian, FB; Gregory Glenn, T; Ted Goolsby, HB; Rick Jakel, G; Pat Hedmark, QB; John Thomas, C; John Kilcoyne, T.

NATIVITY DIOCESAN

Coach R. Widenhofers welcomes back 16 lettermen as the Spartans move into a new league. They are led by tackle George Penna (235) who was all-conference. No centers and only one end return. Guard Tom Zatina (220) and tackle Larry Messings (210) add size to the line. Ambrose Carra (6, 180) returns at quarterback.
NATIVITY DIOCESAN (2-4-1)—6 Detroit St. Martin 19; 0 Detroit St. Phillip 1 (forfeit); 0 Detroit St. Thomas 1; (forfeit); 33 Detroit St. Gregory 12; 44 Detroit St. Stanislaus 0; 6 Detroit St. Mary's 14; 6 St. Louis 6.
RETURNEES—George Penna, T; Gerry Ferin, E; Paul Jansen, G; Tom Zatina, T-G; Greg Harrison, FB; Rich Antonelli, FB; Derek Jones, HB; Chuck Johnson, HB; Joe Young, DHB; Paul Young, DNB; Ambrose Carra, QB; Dave Patrona, G; Louis Fillipellie, G; Tom Lespreane, T; Larry Messings, T; Norm Becker, DHB.

ST. GREGORY

Coach Bernie Holowicki has only ten lettermen back, but nine of them are from the defensive unit which should make the Cherokees tough defensively. They are led by middle linebacker Jim Stokas (200), who will be only a junior after averaging 12 tackles per game in 1967. Half of the veterans will be juniors including quarterback Jim Hamilton and fullback Rick Bacashihua (190). They finished sixth in the league.
ST. GREGORY (2-5)—6 Mount Clemens St. Mary 47; 6 Mt. Clemens St. Louis 41; 7 St. Martin 26; 13 Nativity 33; 0 St. Thomas 20; 13 St. Philip 0; 41 St. Stanislaus 6.
RETURNEES—Jim Stokas, T-LB; Joe Cullen, T; Rick Bacashihua, FB; Dennis Kenyon, HB; Bob Sharpe, E; Fred Malloy, G; Jack Orlando, E; Augusto Torres, HB; Jim Hamilton, QB; Tom Brand, G.
SCHEDULE—St. Stanislaus; Mount Clemens St. Mary; Mt. Clemens St. Louis; St. Martin; St. Florian; St. Thomas; St. Philip.

ST. MARY finished just a game from the top last season and could make it all the way this fall.
ST. LOUIS was in the middle of the pack, while ST. STANISLAUS and ST. PHILIP, both tailenders, complete the league and likely will finish in or near the basement again.

SOUTHWEST

Xavier, St. John and St. Mary will fight it out again for the top spot that the three tied for last fall.
Best Lineman: guard Steve Kruzel, St. John;
Best Back: halfback Jim Dupuis, St. John.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
St. Fr. Xavier	6	1	0	St. Agatha	3	4	0
St. John, Ypsilanti	6	1	0	St. Thomas, Ann Arbor	2	5	0
St. Mary, Wayne	6	1	0	St. Cecilia	1	6	0
O. L. Mt. Carmel	4	3	0	St. Andrew	0	7	0

YPSILANTI ST. JOHN'S

Ypsilanti St. John's has boosted its record the past three years from 4-4-1 to 6-2 to 6-1 and a share of the Southwest Division championship. Coach Norman Parker feels that record will be topped with halfback Jim Dupuis returning after gaining 1254 yards and scoring 78 points a year ago. Quarterback Bob Sutton, who threw 11 TD passes and guard-linebacker Steve Kruzel, who averaged 13 tackles per game also are back.

YPSILANTI ST. JOHN'S (6-1)—13 St. Agatha 6; 34 St. Andrew 0; 46 St. Cecilia 12; 7 St. Mary 0; 12 Ecorse 19; 46 Mt. Carmel 12; 26 St. Thomas 0.

RETURNEES—Steve Kruzel, G; Grant Fashbaugh, G; Jim Dupuis, HB; Bob Sutton, QB; Gary Short, E; Walter Alef, FB; Mike Lewis, E; Bill Johnson, HB; Tom Sanford, HB; Carlos Roper, T; Mickey Pelletier, C.

ST. MARY

There will be a good supply of backfield talent for coach Manny Lentine's St. Mary Blue Knights, but they must come up with some good interior linemen to be considered a championship threat again. They were co-champions with a record of 6-1, in the Second Division last year. Dan Cesarz, the Blue Knights' best linebacker last season, switches to quarterback this year.

ST. MARY (6-1)—26 Mt. Carmel 6; 12 St. Thomas 6; 23 St. Francis 20; 0 St. John 7; 12 St. Agatha 7; 26 St. Andrew 7; 53 St. Cecilia 0; 32 Boysville 0.

RETURNEES—Richard Solaaz, HB; Mike Jajuga, T; Tom Jaskolski, QB; Steve Curtis, G; Dave Schwartz, C; Bruce Gentry, E; Dan Cesarz, QB; Curtis Rychlinski, FB; Dave Gagnon, HB-LB; Matt Piscopink, E.

SCHEDULE—St. Andrew; St. Thomas; St. Francis; St. John; St. Agatha; St. Cecilia; Mt. Carmel.

ST. AGATHA

It looks like a terrific season for coach Gerald Sievert's St. Agatha Aggies. They have 26 lettermen returning from last year's squad that finished fifth in the league. Outstanding players are Bill Gartner, a 190-pound guard and Dave Churches, a 210-pound tackle. Trigger of a potent offense is quarterback Ron Blackmore along with halfback Mike Murphy.

ST. AGATHA (3-4)—13 St. Francis 40; 7 St. Mary 12; 7 St. John 12; 7 Mt. Carmel 14; 18 St. Thomas 0; 6 St. Cecilia 0; 7 St. Andrew 0.

RETURNEES—Dave Urban, E; Tim Inch, G; Paul Reicha, HB; Ron Blackmore, QB; Dave Churches, T; Bill Gartner, G; Chuck Costella, C; Mike Murphy, HB; Frank Higgins, E; Ed Miller, HB.

ST. THOMAS

With several returning lettermen who have been top performers, coach Nicholas Genova's St. Thomas Fighting Irish have a good chance to win the league title. In Jim Birmingham, a 190-pound guard, they have one of the finest players in the league. He averaged ten solo tackles and had three blocked punts to his credit. If Mike Wagner does the job at quarterback, the Fighting Irish could easily improve on their 3-5 record of last year.

ST. THOMAS (3-5)—0 St. John 26; 6 St. Francis 25; 6 St. Mary 12; 13 St. Andrew 12; 0 St. Agatha 18; 7 Mt. Carmel 26; 26 St. Cecilia 7.

RETURNEES—Bill Blakemore, T; Dave Burke, E; Jim Birmingham, G; Lou Richard, HB; Mike Wagner, QB; Bruce Otwell, G; Dan Lanuti, T; Tom Schwind, HB; Dave Moray, HB.

SCHEDULE—St. John; St. Mary; St. Francis; St. Agatha; St. Andrew; St. Cecilia; Mt. Carmel.

ST. CECILIA

With 21 lettermen returning from last year, coach Glen R. Donahue's St. Cecilia Irish are looking forward to a good season. The offense will be the key factor in 1968, with key linemen and top backs returning. They will be counting on halfback Greg Wright, who is a strong runner with fine speed. Opening the holes in the line will be guard Don Hjelle and tackle Larry Phillips, who are 175 and 160 pounds respectively. Fullback Paul Curtis is an outstanding blocker for the Irish.

ST. CECILIA (1-6)—28 St. Andrew 14; 0 St. Agatha 6; 12 St. John 47; 12 St. Francis 26; 0 St. Mary 53; 6 St. Thomas 19; 19 Mt. Carmel 34.

RETURNEES—Al Tarnowski, C; Barry Broden, E; Greg Wright, HB; Larry Phillips, T; Don Hjelle, G; Robert Davis, QB; Paul Curtis, FB; Gene Cunningham, G; Jerry Soborouski, E.

SCHEDULE—Mt. Carmel; St. Andrew; St. Agatha; St. John; St. Francis; St. Mary; St. Thomas.

XAVIER will battle for the top spot again, while MT. CARMEL will try to move up and ST. ANDREW will take first things first and start by looking for a victory.

NORTHWEST

Orchard Lake St. Mary, the incumbent, once again will be tough, but Pontiac Catholic and Royal Oak St. Mary appear ready to make stern challenges.

Best Lineman: tackle Luke Roy, Royal Oak St. Mary;
Best Back: halfback Tim Boyer, Pontiac Catholic.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
St. Mary, Orchard Lake	7	0	0	Pontiac Catholic	3	4	0
St. Fr. De Sales	6	1	0	St. James	3	4	0
O. L. Sorrows	5	2	0	O. L. Lakes, Waterford	1	6	0
St. Mary, Royal Oak	3	4	0	St. Rita	0	7	0

ORCHARD LAKE ST. MARY

St. Mary won the title last year on brilliant balance, and much of the talent from that team is back. Top candidates for the '68 title bid are Mick Krogulicki, Dale Roman, John Hejka, Mike Cymans, Ed Wojtys, Rick Strzalkowski, Joe Szofranski, Pat Grzecki, Gary Jugan, Tom Rutecki, Rick Kustrzyk and Steve Ermak.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

Only six bona fide returnees are present in the De Sales camp and coach J. Michael Hickey is looking for help. He'll need it if his club is to do better than year's second place conference finish. In the backfield, halfback Ron Harper, fullback Steve Calcagno and quarterback John Fenbert return, while ends Gene La Fave (210 pounds) and Roger Bruce are back, as is interior lineman Mike O'Malley. O'Malley, Fenbert and Bruce are juniors.

FARMINGTON OUR LADY OF SORROWS

OLS was 5-2 and a third place finisher last fall, and chances for at least that much success are good for '68. Returning players are Frank Barber, Dave Fitzpatrick, Dave Grohman, Greg Hurst, Don Impellizzeri, Desi Kirkland, Greg Main, Chuck Mendenhall, Ross Patton, Don Valenti, Mike Valenti and Barry Walsh.

ROYAL OAK ST. MARY

The Irish of Royal Oak St. Mary are loaded for bear for the '68 season. Coach Chuck Lindberg lost only three players from last year's squad and returns a lineman he calls the best he has ever coached. That lineman is 240-pound junior Luke Roy who is junior quarterback Everett Bashaw's chief body guard.

ROYAL OAK ST. MARY (3-5)—24 Pontiac Catholic 6; 14 Ferndale St. James 34; 19 Detroit St. Rita 12; 6 St. Francis 27; 7 Farmington Sorrows 59; 20 Waterford Our Lady 6; 0 Orch. Lake St. Mary 25; 7 Richmond St. August. 19.

PONTIAC CATHOLIC

The Titans are only in their second year of existence, but will make their presence known right away this fall. The young club, filled mostly with juniors, will have much better size and with 15 lettermen back, coach Mel Larsen can expect an improvement on last year's 3-4 record. Tackle Fred Anderson (230) will head a basically solid offensive line and sophomore Tim Boyer, a 165-pound speedster, leads the backfield.

PONTIAC CATHOLIC (3-4)—6 R. O. St. Mary's 26; 36 St. Rita 19; 14 St. James 13; 6 Our Lady of Sorrows 35; 0 De Sales 6; 12 O. L. St. Mary's 14; 35 Our Lady of Lakes 6.

RETURNEES—Tim Boyer, HB; Dave Bierlein, E; Fred Anderson, T; Rick Polmear, HB; Rudy Martinez, QB; Rick Ochoa, G; Gerard Holland, FB; Vince Holland, C; Charles Amshay, T; Biff Martin, G; Larry Klein, T; Larry Erickson, HB; Jerry Wade, HB; Dave Wehr, T; Tony Macias, G.

FERNDALE ST. JAMES

Coach John Shada suffered through his longest season at Ferndale St. James last year with the perennial Northwest League power suffering through a 3-5 year. Shada has a nucleus of juniors to build with, with 15 lettermen back. Chief among these are Bill Mortherler, Tom Moconia and John Weir, all backs; interior lineman Frank Wigman and senior end Jim Johnson, key receiver for the Dales.

FERNDALE ST. JAMES (3-5)—14 St. Francis 26; 34 Royal Oak St. Mary 14; 13 Pontiac Catholic 14; 6 Orch. Lake St. Mary 7; 19 Waterford Our Lady 6; 0 Farmington Sorrows 13; 31 Detroit St. Rita 6; 7 St. Martin 20.

WATERFORD OUR LADY

The Lakers could win only one game in '67 and improvement is definitely due. Only seven seniors graduated, leaving a wealth of experience available.

Candidates include Bob Price, Jim Tracey, Dave Calme, Roy Lilley, Pat McColgan, Gary Fournier, Doug Ritter, Mike Webster, Bryan Sauve, Tim Hagan, Pat Harris, Louie Aninos, Lenny Methner, Jon Weston, Ron Delasko, Joe Day, Roger O'Conner, Mike Haviland and Neil Sommer.

ST. RITA

With a new coach and 19 lettermen back, coach John Psaila's St. Rita Vikings have no way to go but up. With a record of 0-7 last year, they finished last in the league. Back at quarterback is passing whiz Pete Dion, who passed for 967 yards and six touchdowns last season. Busting up the middle will be fullback Rick Beirut, who rushed for 572 yards last

year. The Vikings look to be a lot tougher this season.
ST. RITA (0-7)—0 O. L. Sorrows 35; 19 Pontiac C. C. 34; 12 St. Mary R. O. 19; 6 O. L. Lakes 8; 0 St. Mary O. L. 14; 7 St. Francis 33; 6 St. James 31.
RETURNEES—Rick Bierut, FB; Chris Boggs, SE; Gerald Brown, HB; Michael Carney, T; Kevin Dalton, HB; Peter Dion, QB; Robert Miller, G; Mark Romant, C.
SCHEDULE—St. James; O. L. Sorrows; Pontiac C. C.; St. Mary R. O.; O. L. Lakes; St. Mary O. L; St. Francis; Alpena C. C.

MACOMB

Holy Cross is the best bet to take it all, while Immaculate Conception and St. Augustine are ready to take over at the first instance.

Best Lineman: tackle Glenn Niederhofer, St. Lawrence;
Best Back: halfback Denny Van Tiem, Holy Cross.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Holy Cross				St. Lawrence, Utica	2	5	0
Marine City	6	1	0	St. Gertrude	2	5	0
Immaculate Conc.	6	1	0	Anchor Bay Cath.	0	7	0
St. Augustine, Richmond	5	2	0				

MARINE CITY HOLY CROSS

The defending Macomb champion Crusaders are in a great position to defend their championship with star halfback Denny Van Tiem returning. The fleet 145-pound scatback scored 17 touchdowns to be the second highest scorer in the Blue Water Area for the season. Coach Marv Osterland will have 17 other lettermen back including starters Leo Addy at tackle, fullback Bill Comment and halfback John Postalka.
HOLY CROSS (6-2)—29 Rich. St. Augustine 0; 42 Anchor Bay Catholic 6; 27 Hamt. Immac. Conc. 0; 50 Utica St. Lawrence 19; 20 SCS St. Gertrude 12; 7 Rich. St. Augustine 34; 31 Anchor Bay Catholic 6; 14 Ecorse St. Francis 33.
RETURNEES—John Endres, QB; Denny Van Tiem, HB; John Postalka, HB; Dave Stephenson, HB; Bob Comment, HB; Danny Burns, HB; Dave Arnold, HB; Bill Comment, FB; Kevin Beaton, HB; Steve Arnold, FB; Rick Arnold, G; Chuck Krantz, G; Randy Heath, T; Chuck Thomas, T; Bill Grace, T; Leo Addy, T; Stan Cieslinski, T.

RICHMOND ST. AUGUSTINE

An experienced core of lettermen greet second year coach Jerry Ohngren and if he can find enough players from a promising junior varsity squad to fill a serious lack of depth problem, the Saints could go marching in to the Macomb Catholic League title. Quarterback Gene Chamberlain, who completed 26 of 54 passes including eight for touchdowns last year, returns to head a handfull of veterans. Only 14 lettermen are back and a serious injury to any of them could be disastrous.
ST. AUGUSTINE (6-2-1)—0 Holy Cross 29; 6 St. Gertrude 0; 35 St. Lawrence 7; 30 Anchor Bay CC 0; 6 Immaculate Conception 13; 34 Holy Cross 7; 13 St. Gertrude 12; 19 R. O. St. Mary 7; 7 Armada 7.
RETURNEES—Marty Chamberlain, T; Gene Chamberlain, QB; Bill Misiuk, FB; Dan Roose, G; John Shuboy, HB; John Clark, T; Ed Schweiger, G; Dave Shever, C; Chuck Adams, E; Tom Kammer, HB; Mel Vermeesch, T; Gene Shuboy, E; Phil Verellen, E; Paul DeLorey, G; Dan Casey, T.

ST. LAWRENCE

With 15 lettermen returning, St. Lawrence is a good bet to improve on last year's 2-5 record. Coach Bob Fortin had only five seniors on the squad in his initial season last year and played many underclassmen. Heading the returnees is 180-pound tackle Glenn Niederhofer, an All-State selection last season. Halfbacks Gary Radulski and Dennis Thiel should provide the Mustangs with offensive punch.
ST. LAWRENCE (2-5)—12 St. Gertrude 7; 6 Immaculate Conception 13; 6 St. Augustine 35; 19 Holy Cross 50; 21 Anchor Bay Catholic 6; 0 St. Gertrude 6; 0 Immaculate Conception 13.
RETURNEES—Glenn Niederhofer, T; Tony Wilhelm, G; Joe Altz, G; Ken Oliver, G; Dennis Campbell, C; Dennis Thiel, HB; Gary Radulski, HB; John Van Hevel, HB; John Kurisko, QB; Paul Marchiano, QB; Mike Harrington, E; Jim Boehmer, T; Tim Valin, T; Dan Marciniak, E.

ANCHOR BAY CATHOLIC

The Giants were winless in seven attempts last fall, but with 23 returning lettermen, coach Judd Folske should be able to stop that streak in a hurry. Anchor Bay, which had only 20 players on the varsity last year, now has 33, giving Folske something to work with. Quarterback John Hartner, who passed for 829 yards last year, will head a capable backfield while tackle Jim Maskey and guard Bob Rivard can supply the blocking up front.
RETURNEES—Bob Beecherl, E; Louis Campbell, G; Ken Clapp, G; Jim Demick, T; Dick Demick, T; Mike Gemdernalick, E; Dave Golomb, HB; Bob Gustin, QB; John Hartner, QB; Kevin Hartner, FB; Jim Hauswirth, HB; Bart Kay, FB; John Loges, QB; Dick Loges, E; Jim Maskey, T; Tom Maskey, T; Gary Orczyowski, E; John Reinhard, HB; Dave Rivard, HB; Bob Rivard, G; George Secultz, G; Ed Snay, HB; Randy VanMourik, E.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION again will try to maintain a standard of excellence good enough to keep it at or near the top, while ST. GERTRUDE will struggle to climb up in the standings.

DETROIT PUBLIC SCHOOL LEAGUE

EAST SIDE

Denby again has a good shot at the title, as does Pershing and Northern. Kettering may be a surprise.

Best Lineman: tackle Thomas Robinson, Northern;
Best Back: halfback Jack Kline, Denby.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Denby	5	0	0	Finney	2	2	1
Pershing	5	0	0	Osborn	2	3	0
Northern	4	1	0	Cass	0	4	1
Eastern	3	2	0	Southeastern	0	5	0
Kettering	3	2	0	Northeastern	0	5	0

DENBY

Coach Roger H. Parmentier has 20 lettermen returning plus seven transfer students who were regulars at other schools. The Tars, who have lost only two games in the past three seasons, tied for the division championship last fall. They have six defensive and four offensive regulars returning, led by all-city halfback Jack Kline (187) who gained over 700 yards rushing and scored 11 TD's. Quarterback Gary Rossi (6, 178) is an excellent passer and runner. Three two-year regulars return, in tackle Dee Wibby (6-4, 327), end Andrew Shepherd (6-5, 217) and fullback Bryce Bowron (6-3, 212).
DENBY (7-1)—38 Detroit Southeastern 0; 46 Detroit Eastern 0; 34 Detroit Northern 7; 44 Detroit Northeastern 0; 38; Detroit Osborn 0; 13 Detroit Redford 0; 7 Divine Child 14.
RETURNEES—Gary Rossi, QB; Gordon Jackson, FB; Jack Kline, FB; Tom Lonergan, E; Joe Fuller, WB; Mike Gammichia, E; Willie Osley, WB; William McQuade, HB; Walter White, HB; Mike Taormina, G; Richard Kosmaek, G; Kim Richter, G; Tom Barone, T; Peter Ross, E; Frank Monteleone, T; Bryce Bowron, FB; Michael Conradt, E; Andrew Shepherd, E; Dee Wibby, T.
SCHEDULE—at Southeastern; Eastern; at Northern; Northeastern; at Osborn; at Cass Tech; Pershing.

NORTHERN

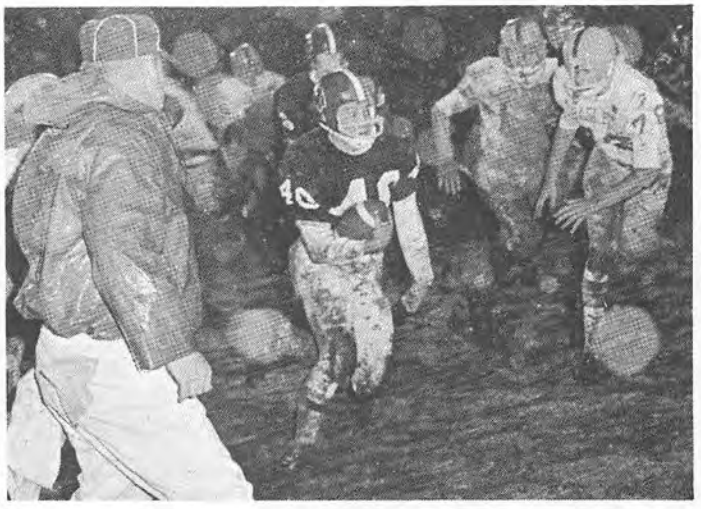
After losing 13 lettermen from last season's squad, coach Norman Morris' Northern Eskimos still look like a team to beat on the East Side. Returning are two All-City performers, end Randolph Logan, who had six touchdowns last year and tackle Thomas Robinson. Backing them up are 11 lettermen from last year.
NORTHERN (4-1)—13 Cass Tech 0; 7 Southeastern 6; 18 Osborn 15; 7 Denby 34; 7 Finney 0.
RETURNEES—James Bell, T; McArthur Thigpen, E; Clifford Giles, HB; Thomas Robinson, T; Terry Coleman, QB; Randolph Logan, E; Aaron Jackson, HB; Cristopher Brewer, T; Anthony Lewis, HB; Ervin Embry, E.
SCHEDULE—Northeastern; Kettering; Cass Tech; Southeastern; Denby; Finney; Osborn.

EASTERN

Things are looking bleak for coach Don Miller's Eastern Indians this season. They managed to post a 3-2 record last year, but graduation has hurt them. They have only seven lettermen returning. A lot will depend on center Artie Fields and Timothy Harvey, a 225-pound tackle. Also a good prospect is guard Lawrence Neal, a 210-pounder and quarterback Clarence Jennings.
EASTERN (3-2)—14 Pershing 25; 0 Denby 46; 28 Northeastern 6; 13 Kettering 2; 14 Cass Tech 0; 27 Finney 13.
RETURNEES—Walter Blair, HB; Ronald Rayborn, G; Anthony Jackson, E; Clarence Jennings, QB; Lawrence Neal, G; Timothy Harvey, T; Artie Fields, C.
SCHEDULE—Pershing; Denby; Northeastern; Kettering; Cass; Osborn; Finney.

KETTERING

Although hurt by the loss of 19 lettermen, coach Elbert Richmond's Kettering Pioneers may surprise some people if they can put their offense together. Making the defensive unit go is linebacker Richard Smith, who averaged four solo tackles and seven assists and tackle Alphonso Knott, who averaged three individual and seven assisted tackles per game. Big gun on the offense is expected to be halfback Larry Borum. He averaged 6.5 yards on 408 yards in 62 attempts and scored six touchdowns. Watch the Pioneers this year.
KETTERING (3-2)—32 Osborn 0; 19 Finney 0; 0 Pershing 32; 2 Eastern 13; 21 Southeastern 0; 34 Northeastern 0; 18 Northern 13.
RETURNEES—Thurman Buffington, C; David Williams, G; Glenn Wallace, QB; Willie McCray, DT; Larry Borum, HB; Alphonso Knott, T; Richard Smith, LB; Lawrence Warren, T; William Curry, HB.



1) *It's hard to tell with mud on everyone, but Lakeview halfback Eugene Scott is being hit high and low by two equally muddy South Lake players. Lakeview splashed to a* 12-7 *victory on South Lake's rain-soaked field last fall.*
Photo Courtesy Macomb Daily

2) *Maple Valley coach Bill Gibbs.*

3-4) *Maple Valley's Steve Stine and Dave Dipert form a potent passing combo.*

5) *Gabriels Mike Curl rambles for yards against Okemos last season. Gabriels lost to the league champions,* 26-12.

6) *Okemos passing threat Marc Neifert.*

7) *Bob Dexter* (40), *Dearborn Fordson's* 1968 *co-captain and standout linebacker, closes in on a Grosse Pointe runner in '67 action. Dexter is one of the best at his position in the Border Cities loop.*

8) *Byron Johnson, Okemos speedster, picks up yards in snow and mud against Haslett last season. Okemos won* 33-6, *clinching the Capital Circuit League championship. Johnson is now on the frosh squad at Western Michigan.*

9) *Ralph Hurley, Pine River coach.*

10) *Dennis Anderson, head coach, Detroit St. Anthony.*

11) *Frank Buford, head coach, Detroit U. of D.*

12) *The most valuable player in the Border Cities League last season was Wyandotte Roosevelt's Byron Hebert shown here in action last fall.*

SCHEDULE—Osborn; Finney; Pershing; Eastern; Northeastern; Southeastern; Northern.

CASS TECH

Coach Don Duff will have better experience in the line and at quarterback than a year ago when the team finished eighth in the league. The Technicians have 11 lettermen returning. They will have no guards and only one end with experience. Dennis Kendall (190) and Mike LoGrasso both return at quarterback. Robert Thomas (220) heads four tackles. Rich Rowe (180) is a fullback and strong linebacker. Cliff Stokes (195) is the middle guard on defense.

CASS TECH (0-4-1)—0 Northern 13; 7 Osborn 19; 13 Finney 13; 0 Pershing 19; 0 Eastern 14.

RETURNEES—Emmett Traylor, E; Lindsay Benson, T; Bill Peters, T; Cliff Stokes, T; Robert Thomas, T; Ben Varney, C; Richard Lastomirsky, HB; Greg Marchenia, HB; Rich Rowe, FB; Dennis Kendall, QB; Mike LoGrasso, QB.

SCHEDULE—Northern; Osborn; Finney; Pershing; Eastern; Denby; Southeastern.

SOUTHEASTERN

The only way for coach Patsy Pantano's Jungaleers to look is up. They had a 0-5 record last year, but if one of their junior varsity quarterbacks comes through they could be trouble on the East Side. Co-captain Walter Jackson, a 210-pound tackle-linebacker, who averaged eight unassisted tackles, is back, along with halfback Mike Kellum, who averaged four yards a carry. They are backed up by iron man Mike Bryant, a 200-pound guard.

SOUTHEASTERN (0-5)—0 Denby 38; 6 Northern 7; 7 Osborn 18; 7 Finney 18; 6 Pershing 7.

RETURNEES—Jerome Anderson, HB; Henry James, C; Larry Jones, HB; Walter Jackson, LB-T; Mike Kellum, HB; Lynn Radney, G; Willie Smith, E; Mike Bryant, G.

SCHEDULE—Denby; Northern; Osborn; Finney; Pershing; Kettering; Cass Tech.

PERSHING is a good possibility to take all the honors.

FINNEY and OSBORN, both middle-of-the-packers last season, will fight to climb higher, while NORTHEASTERN will fight to stay out of the basement.

WEST SIDE

Redford again is a tough team, as is MacKenzie. Mumford is another possibility.

Best Lineman: tackle Tony Smith, Henry Ford;
Best Back: halfback Mike Skrobe, Cody.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Redford	5	0	0	Central	2	3	0
MacKenzie	5	0	0	Ford	2	3	0
Mumford	3	0	2	Northwestern	2	3	0
Cody	3	2	0	Cooley	1	4	0
Southwestern	3	2	0	Wright	0	4	1
Western	2	2	1	Chadsey	0	5	0

REDFORD

Last fall's conference champions have 25 lettermen returning for new coach H. Beardsley. The Huskies must replace four starters on offense and six on defense. Leading the offense will be halfback Mike Carner and quarterback Bob Swan (210). They have a two-deep veteran line-up at every position except fullback. Four linemen tip the scales at 200 pounds or better: tackle Michael Gariepy (200), center David Russoll (210) tackle Ken Shinsky (205), and tackle Tim Ramesbottom (210).

REDFORD (5-1)—25 Southwestern 0; 33 Western 0; 32 Cooley 0; 25 Murray-Wright 0; 14 Sody 13; 0 Denby 13.

RETURNEES—Rohn Baker, HB; Mike Carner, HB; Robert Deming, G; Donald Deming, G; James Easterday, QB; William Elwood, E; Michael Gariepy, T; Randy Gillary, G; John Hunsaker, E; Jack Leech, HB; Richard Marsack, T; Dave Mauring, G; Paul Nigri, HB; Jason Riggs, G; Ronald Roy, FB; Tim Royer, C; David Russoll, C; Ken Shinsky, T; Bernard Smith, QB; Mark Sokoll, HB; Richard Solomon, E; Paul Stephey, E; Robert Swan, QB; David Tiderington, E; Tim Ramesbottom, T.

SCHEDULE—Southwestern; Western; Northwestern; Murray-Wright; Cody; Mackenzie; Cooley.

CODY

Despite losing 20 lettermen, coach R. W. McCullough's Cody Comets could have a decent year if they can fill a few spots in their line. Of the seven lettermen returning, halfback Mike Skrobe, who was an All-City selection last year, is the best. He averaged five yards a carry and scored eight touchdowns, as the Comets posted a 4-2 record.

CODY (4-2)—20 Mumford 6; 12 Central 8; 0 MacKenzie 20; 33 Southwestern 12; 8 Cooley 6; 12 Redford 13.

RETURNEES—Dennis Buczek, QB; Bob Brown, G; Kurt Steinke, E; John Maki, E; Mike Skrobe, HB; Larry Fitzpatrick, FB; Ron Weisman, HB.

SCHEDULE—Central; MacKenzie; Southwestern; Northwestern; Redford; Murray-Wright; Mumford.

SOUTHWESTERN

The outlook is good for coach Mike Yatchman's Southwestern Prospectors, but they get a fast start. Last season was a rebuilding year after coming off a West Side League championship in 1966. The Prospectors, who have the smallest enrollment in the West League, pasted a 3-2 record last year. Their key man could be Thomas Johnson, a 210-pound end. Fighting it out at quarterback will be Larry Pierce and Kermmor Burrell. Anchoring the line will be Alonzo Cameron, a 6-foot-2, 215-pound tackle.

SOUTHWESTERN (3-2)—0 Redford 25; 12 Cooley 7; 12 Cody 33; 6 Chadsey 0; 7 Ford 0.

RETURNEES—Toby Taylor, C; Robert Coleman, G; Thomas Johnson, E; Kermmor Burrell, QB; Alonzo Cameron, T; John Harvey, HB; Bradley Wilson, FB; Larry Pierce, QB.

SCHEDULE—Redford; Northwestern; Cody; Chadsey; Ford; Central; MacKenzie.

WESTERN

A small, inexperienced squad returns to coach Corky Foster at Western. The club should have good over-all speed. Western, 2-2-1 last season, had one of its better years and optimism runs high in the Cowboy camp for continued improvement. Eight lettermen return. More scoring punch is needed.

WESTERN (2-2-1)—18 Northwestern 0; 0 Redford 33; 26 Murray-Wright 6; 0 Mumford 0; 0 Central 18.

SCHEDULE—MacKenzie; Cooley; Redford; Murray-Wright; Mumford; Central; Chadsey; Henry Ford.

HENRY FORD

Despite the fact that coach Wesley Carlos' Henry Ford Trojans scored only one touchdown passing last season, he feels that his returning quarterback will have a great season. Also returning is All-City Tony Smith, a 205-pound tackle. But it's 155-pound quarterback Larry Leadford whom the Trojans are counting on to get them moving this season.

HENRY FORD (3-3)—33 Murray-Wright 0; 7 Mumford 24; 7 Central 6; 2 MacKenzie 7; 0 Southwestern 7; 18 Cooley 13.

RETURNEES—Adrian Gaviglio, G; Roy Ayers, C; Mike Holt, HB; Larry Leadford, QB; Tony Smith, T; Tom Young, QB-K; Bruce Zgoda, G; Bob Miley, FB; Greg Sebaly, HB; Mike Malek, T; Bob McClellan, HB.

SCHEDULE—Murray-Wright; Mumford; Central; MacKenzie; Southwestern; Cooley; Western.

NORTHWESTERN

Seven lettermen return, meaning there are holes everywhere. Coach Van Jenkins is hoping material from last season's reserve squad will help out. Ralph Powell, a fullback-tackle, is the best of the returnees. Northwestern will have to push it to have a winning record.

NORTHWESTERN (2-3)—0 Western 18; 12 Murray-Wright 6; 6 Mumford 13; 13 Central 0; 0 MacKenzie 19.

RETURNEES—David Conley; Leonard Graham; Ernest Love; Alvin Poole; Ralph Powell; Byron Smith; Levy White.

SCHEDULE—MacKenzie; at Southwestern; Redford; Cody; at Chadsey; Mumford; at Central.

COOLEY

With four times as many lettermen returning as last year, coach Jim Krucki's Cooley Cardinals are looking forward to a better year. Cooley was 1-4 last season and should be considerably better this time around. Heading a list of 16 returning lettermen is All-City halfback Ron Harrison. Jim Kellerman, co-captain, was the Cardinal's leading receiver, while Dale Johnson, the other co-captain, was the team's defensive statistic leader. The Cardinals opponents will be in trouble this season.

COOLEY (1-4)—0 MacKenzie 6; 7 Southwestern 12; 0 Redford 32; 6 Cody 8; 13 Chadsey 0.

RETURNEES—Larry Wells, E; Ken Sheckell, T; Steve Salo, C; Ron Harrison, HB; Jim Kellerman, E; Dale Johnson, HB; Lauren Mitchell, QB; Jim Konopka, G; Chuck Rymal, FB.

SCHEDULE—Western; Murray-Wright; Mumford; Central; MacKenzie; Ford; Redford.

MURRAY-WRIGHT

Looking to get the Pilots of Murray-Wright off the ground in his first full year is coach Andy Rio. He will have a strong nucleus of experienced players returning, and should improve on last year's record of 0-4-1. Back to pace the running attack is Dallas Morgan, 165-pound All-City halfback. Of the 15 lettermen returning, Leroy Evans, a 235-pound tackle is probably the biggest on the West Side.

MURRAY-WRIGHT (0-4-1)—0 Ford 35; 7 Northwestern 12; 7 Western 34; 0 Redford 25; 0 Mumford 0.

RETURNEES—Ronald Harris, G; Leroy Evans, T; Dallas Morgan, HB; David Parnell, C; Howard King, E; John Rankin, FB; Mike Roland, HB; George Miller, G; Terry Baul, T; Richard Fletcher, E.

SCHEDULE—Ford; Cooley; Western; Redford; Cody; Chadsey.

CHADSEY

Coach Sam Eliowitz of the Chadsey Explorers is in his sophomore year and is in need of an experienced quarterback. Gone from the team that posted a 0-5 record is All-City defensive lineman Willie Hopgood. Outstanding linemen re-

turning are guards Hozay Orange and Trenier Woodland. Shouldering the Explorers rushing burden will be fullback James Wood and halfback Donnell Berry.
CHADSEY (0-5)—6 Mumford 7; 0 Central 21; 0 MacKenzie 18; 0 Southwestern 6; 0 Cooley 12.
RETURNEES—Donnell Berry, HB; Tom Brown, E; Bruce Chalmers, T; Robert Ellis, HB; James Wood, FB; Trenier Woodland, G; Hozay Orange, G; Jesse Rose, E; Walter Ostapiw, T; Ed Rakowski, T.
SCHEDULE—Mumford; Central; MacKenzie; Southwestern; Northwestern; Western; Murray-Wright.

MACKENZIE will fight to hold its top spot, while MUMFORD is another challenger.
CENTRAL will try to move up.

EASTERN MICHIGAN LEAGUE

Roseville looks to be the best bet, while Port Huron Northern could also be strong. Mt. Clemens will be in the battle, but has few experienced hands to play.
Best Lineman: tackle Dave Yonka, Mt. Clemens;
Best Back: halfback Walt Gary, Port Huron Northern.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Mt. Clemens	3	1	0	East Detroit	1	2	1
Roseville	3	1	0	Port Huron	1	3	0
Port Huron No.	1	2	1				

MOUNT CLEMENS
Mount Clemens coach Dick Chapman will have to count on several sophomores this fall and it doesn't appear the Battling Bathers can come close to last year's 6-1-1 record—there's just not enough experience in camp. Only two starters are back from the offensive squad and three on defense among the ten returnees this season. The Bathers will have good size and speed, primarily because of the return of halfback Munn Sherwin who scored 12 touchdowns last fall in addition to rushing for 825 yards. Paul Duda, who doubles at end and linebacker, caught 13 passes last year and made 87 tackles. Also back is tackle Dave Yonka who made 75 tackles and the All-Eastern Michigan League team for the third time in a row.
MOUNT CLEMENS (6-1-1)—0 Lakeview 0; 35 Birmingham Seaholm 19; 15 Port Huron 0; 6 East Detroit 7; 13 Roseville 7; 20 Pontiac Northern 14; 13 Farmington 0; 20 Port Huron Northern 7.
RETURNEES—John Lee, LB; Dan Robinson, HB; Kirk Rosso, T; Chuck Woodard, T; Ed Steeh, G; Jim Westfall, HB-DE; Sylvester Fisher, E; Gary Hirshey, QB; Don Baskin, FB; Wally Chambers, T.
SCHEDULE—Lakeview; at Birmingham; at Port Huron; East Detroit; at Roseville; Utica Stevenson; at Port Huron North; Warren Mott.

ROSEVILLE
Roseville coach Hank Nardone will go to the air once again in 1968 after the overhead attack brought the Wildcats a share of the league championship and a 6-3 over-all record. Bob Maus will do the chucking with all-league end Mike Skerske the chief target. Nardone, in his second year at Roseville, has excellent size in returning lettermen tackles Mike Smith and Bill Ramsey, both 220-pounders. Lettermen Greg Hess and Jeff McMahon should head the ground attack from their halfback posts.
ROSEVILLE (6-3)—18 Lincoln Park 21; 38 Melvindale 19; 26 P.H. Northern 19; 18 Port Huron 0; 6 Mt. Clemens 13; 18 East Detroit 0; 19 Wat. Kettering 14; Musk. Central 13; 20 Hazel Park 0.
RETURNEES—Mike Skerske, E; Bob Maus, QB; Brad Adkins, G; Bill Ramsey, T; Greg Hess, HB; Jeff McMahon, HB; Dennis Pomanti, G; Dennis Versele, G; Mike Smith, T.
SCHEDULE—Edsel Ford; Fitzgerald; P.H. Northern; Port Huron; Mt. Clemens; East Detroit; Utica Stevenson; Muskegon; Hazel Park.

PORT HURON
Lack of depth appears to be the only thing stopping Port Huron from enjoying a successful season. The Big Reds, 2-7 last year, have a small core of talented lettermen, but there is little to back it up. Coach Jim Dickinson welcomes 13 lettermen into camp headed by quarterback Mike Loxton and end Stu Howe. Halfbacks Stewart Albert and John Schneider lend some running support but Port Huron will probably exploit its passing game more. Schneider, the team's second leading tackler last year, should again spark what appears to be a stingy defense. There's a letterman for every position except center and if the Big Reds can get a little bench help, they will be hard to deal with.
PORT HURON (2-7)—12 Flint NW 26; 6 Grosse Pointe 32; 0 Mount Clemens 15; 0 Roseville 18; 26 Hamtramack 0; 7 Port Huron Northern 20; 19 East Detroit 0; 0 Royal Oak Kimball 27; 6 Ferndale 13.
RETURNEES—Stewart Albert, HB; Don Corby, G; Stuart Howe, E; Dave Hrisca, G; Chuck James, T; Bob Limberg, G; Mike Loxton, QB; Don Mellendorf, T; Bob Morris, T; Lonnie Nichols, HB; John Schneider, HB; Mark Secory, E; LaVern Washington, WB.
SCHEDULE—Flint NW; at Grosse Pointe; Mount Clemens; Roseville; at Utica Stevenson; Port Huron North; East Detroit; at Royal Oak Kimball; at Ferndale.

UTICA STEVENSON is a new addition to the league and completes the circuit.

PORT HURON NORTHERN
Fifteen lettermen return to give Coach James Bates' Port Huron Northern Huskies a solid nucleus for the 1968 season. The Huskies were 6-2-1 last season and have two running backs, Walt Gary and Craig Dahlke, back to help improve on that record and challenge for the league title. Gary ran for 891 yards last year and scored 13 touchdowns while Dhlke had 534 yards and eight TDs. Returning at quarterback will be Bob Kirkendall and his brother Stan will return at one of the halfback spots. Dave Montney and Stan Gillis will head the defense.
PORT HURON NORTHERN (6-2-1)—48 River Rouge 0; 20 Lapeer 6; 19 Roseville 26; 38 Waterford-Kettering 0; 13 East Detroit 13; 20 Port Huron 7; 46 Roseville-Brablec 13; 7 Mt. Clemens 20; 34 Bad Axe 7.
RETURNEES—Bob Kirkendall, QB; Bruce Hamilton, K; Stan Kirkendall, HB; Jim Allen, FB; Larry Limberg, WB; Craig Dahlke, FB; Walt Gary, HB; Stan Gillis, C; Dave Montney, G; Jeff Fraizer, T; Marty Lewis, TE; Rick Wedge, T; Chuck Barrett, E; Tom Phare, T; Charles McCoy, G.
SCHEDULE—Hamtramck; Lapeer; Roseville; Utica; East Detroit; Port Huron; Mt. Clemens; Warren Fitz; L'Anse Creuse.

EAST DETROIT
The Shamrocks of East Detroit make a run at league honors with 19 lettermen back. Coach Ron Ruzzin will have three offensive starters back in quarterback Don MacGillivray, end Ed Burley and guard Mike Yberra. Returning on defense are Ed Burley at tackle, linebackers Dave Hand and Bob Humes, defensive backs Larry Bettencourt and Rick Hess.
EAST DETROIT (3-4-1)—6 Clintondale 12; 19 Royal Oak Kimball 6; 12 Water. Kettering 7; 7 Mt. Clemens 6; 13 PH Northern 13; 0 Roseville 18; 0 Port Huron 19; 0 Ferndale 20.
RETURNEES—Don MacGillivray, QB; Pat McConnell, QB; Larry Bettencourt, HB; Bob Fracassa, HB; Rick Hess, HB; Carl Lininger, HB; Mark Marino, HB; Mark Groesbeck, FB; Mike Ole, FB; Don Honeau, E; Ron Spenella, C; Mike Brown, G; Bob Humes, G; Dom Misuraca, G; Mike Ybarra, G; Dave Hand, T; Bob Rawling, T; Ralph Alter, E; Ed Burley, E.

EASTERN UPPER PENINSULA CONFERENCE

DeTour is still the favorite from last season, but league newcomer Cheboygan Catholic could win it all.
Best Lineman: end Tim Tischer, DeTour;
Best Back: halfback Rich Bailey, DeTour.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
DeTour	5	0	0	Pickford	2	3	0
Soo Loretto	4	1	0	Cedarville	2	3	0
Engadine	2	3	0	Brimley	0	5	0

ENGADINE
Coach Rod Carlson lost nearly all of his starters from last season's Engadine team and he sees this season as a rebuilding one for the Eagles. Carlson has eight letterwinners returning and one he is counting on heavily is senior end Doug Webb, who had 25 receptions and two touchdowns last season. Also back is junior halfback Ron Weger, who had 85 yards in 17 carries and three touchdowns. On the line will be guard Dean Salter and tackles Jim Schutt and Charles Vallier. John Matchinski is expected to be the fullback. Engadine finished with a 2-3 mark in the conference last season.
ENGADINE (2-7)—27 DeTour 32; 6 Cedarville 7; 43 Soo "B" 0; 34 Brimley 0; 7 Soo Loretto 13; 13 Petoskey St. Francis 26; 28 Pickford 6; 34 Indian River 12; 20 Lake Linden 35.
RETURNEES—Patrick Bigger, HB; John Greenwald, E; John Matchinski, FB; Dean Salter, G; Jim Schutt, T; Charles Vallier, T; Doug Webb, E; Ron Weger, HB.
SCHEDULE—Rudyard; DeTour; Cedarville; Cheboygan Catholic; Pickford; Brimley; Loretto; Inland Lakes.

PICKFORD
Quarterback Bill O'Connor, tackle Bob Portice, halfback-linebacker John Watson and back Ken Batho are four reasons Pickford hopes to improve on its 1967 record. Only six seniors were lost through graduation. Guards John Wojnarski and Allen Cottle also return.
PICKFORD (2-6-0)—0 St. Ignace 60; 6 Sault Loretto 21; 6 DeTour 33; 0 Cheboygan Cath. 32; 7 Rudyard 33; 12 Brimley 0; 6 Engadine 28; 34 Cedarville 6.

CEDARVILLE
Coach John E. Krage has 15 lettermen back in hopes of improving on last fall's tie for third in the conference. He

has five halfbacks returning. The Trojans also lack size with only one returnee over 160.
CEDARVILLE (2-5)—7 Engadine 6; 13 Brimley 12; 12 Petoskey St. Francis 46; 0 Cheboygan Catholic 81; 0 DeTour 25; 0 Loretto 19; 6 Pickford 34.
RETURNEES—Mark Muscoe, QB; David St. Onge, E; Mike Lofdahl, G; Jake Markey, T; Norman Perkins, G; Carl Hessel, HB; Jim Idalski, HB; Tom Nye, E; Ted Squires, T; Jim Lockhart, G; Paul Muscoe, HB; Terry Schaedig, E; Larry Sherlund, T; Steve Jefsen, HB; Don Hurban, FB.
SCHEDULE—DeTour; Pickford; Engadine; Brimley; Rudyard; Loretto; Cheboygan Catholic.

BRIMLEY

After going winless and scoring only three touchdowns in 1967, the Bays are looking for an improved season in 1968.
BRIMLEY (0-6-0)—0 Rudyard 31; 12 Cedarville 13; 0 Engadine 34; 0 Pickford 12; 0 Petoskey St. Francis 48; 6 Sault Loretto 13.

DETOUR

Coach Darryl Ledy will have only nine returning letterwinners on hand in which to defend the DeTour Red Raiders' title. One of those returning is Tim Tischer, 150-pound end, who caught 18 of 19 touchdown passes thrown by returning quarterback Martin Ledy. Also back for the Red Raiders is Rich Bailey, 140-pound all-conference halfback and Chuck Moses, 170-pound all-conference center. Major concerns for Ledy is finding a replacement at fullback and in the line.
DETOUR (6-2)—32 Engadine 27; 45 Soo 'B' 7; 33 Pickford 0; 31 Loretto 7; 25 Cedarville 0; 21 Inland Lakes 25; 6 Petoskey 7; 33 Brimley 0.
RETURNEES—Tim Tischer, E; Milton Adams, G; Martin Ledy, QB; Chuck Moses, C; Ed Bailey, G; Rich Bailey, HB; Mike Dutcher, T; Steve Fireck, E; Dennis Bernard, C.
SCHEDULE—Cedarville; Engadine; Cheboygan Catholic; Pickford; Brimley; Rudyard; Inland Lakes; Soo Loretto.

SAULT STE. MARIE LORETTO

In a rebuilding year last fall, Loretto still managed to win more than it lost and 1968 could continue that trend if replacements can be found at key positions, including quarterback, where Bob McCarthy departed and center where Don Hallesy held ground for two years.
SAULT STE. MARIE LORETTO (4-3-1)—6 Rudyard 26; 21 Pickford 6; 0 St. Ignace 44; 7 DeTour 31; 13 Engadine 7; 20 Cheboygan Cath. 20; 19 Cedarville 0; 13 Brimley 6.

CHEBOYGAN CATHOLIC

There's strength in the offensive backfield, but just two returning offensive linemen at Cheboygan Catholic.

Seven starters return on defense, but help is needed from last fall's reserves on offense. The reserve products went 6-2 last fall and have good size.

Linebacker Bob Meden is a standout, who averaged nine tackles per game last fall.

Coach Leo Yeck's team will be playing in the Eastern Michigan Upper Peninsula League for the first time this fall.
CHEBOYGAN CATHOLIC (4-2-1)—31 Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart 0; 32 Pickford 0; 81 Cedarville 0; 20 Soo Loretto 20; 0 Manistee Catholic 41; 6 Petoskey St. Francis 21; 19 Alcona 0.
RETURNEES—Roger Dombroski, LB; John Brach, DHB; James La Cross, HB; Robert Meden, LB; Roy Schryer, QB; Bill Schryer, HB; Don Sproal, C; Tony Stempky, E; John Trybon, G; Mike Wilcome, T.
SCHEDULE—at DeTour; at Engadine; Soo Loretto; Pickford; at Cedarville; Brimley; Rudyard; Alcona.

EXPRESSWAY CONFERENCE

Middleville will have to hold off stern challenges from Caledonia and Maple Valley. All three are capable of winning the title.

Best Lineman: end Harry Doege, Caledonia;
Best Back: halfback Steve Sanderson, Middleville.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Middleville	3	1	0	Wayland	2	2	0
Caledonia	2	1	1	Hamilton	0	4	0
Maple Valley	2	1	1				

MIDDLEVILLE

The Trojans look like a stronger team on paper than last season's Expressway champions. Coach Robert White has experience at all positions with 16 lettermen back. Steve Sanderson returns at halfback where he scored 131 points last season on 19 TD's and 17 extra points and rushed for 1293 yards. In the last five years, Middleville's league record is 21-1.
MIDDLEVILLE (7-2)—32 Delton 13; 35 Maple Valley 0; 28 Caledonia 0; 33 Belding 7; 6 Battle Creek St. Philip 28; 12 Wayland 13; 20 Lowell 14; 13 Hamilton 6; 20 Comstock Park 6.
RETURNEES—Larry Berg, G; Robert Blough, G; Walt Burns, HB; Bruce Buskard, T; Al Dood, QB; Bill Johnson, T; Gary Middleton, G; Joe Miller, C; Tom Norman, E; Bill Rich, E; Sandy Schondlemyer, DHB; Dick Sensiba, T; Bernie Blough, T; Mark Johnson, G; Steve Sanderson, HB; Dan Jefferies, HB.
SCHEDULE—Delton; Maple Valley; Caledonia; GR Central Christian; Battle Creek St. Philip; Wayland; GR East Christian; Hamilton; Comstock Park.

CALEDONIA

The All-Expressway Conference passing combination of Dennis Trathen-Harry Doege lead a list of 18 returning lettermen for coach John Soderman's Scotties. Trathen (160 pounds) completed 55 passes in 135 attempts and 900 yards, while Doege (160) was on the receiving end 33 times for 375 yards. Also back are defensive end Mike Sinclair (170) and linebacker Russ Polmanteer (150).
CALEDONIA (4-3-1)—13 Byron Center 7; 9 South Christian 21; 0 Middleville 28; 26 Comstock Park 24; 18 Wayland 0; 27 Hamilton 13; 14 Belding 24; 14 Maple Valley 14.
RETURNEES—Leo Alberts, G; Russ Polmanteer, G; Dick Datema, G; Jim Engle, T; Al Steeby, T; Randy Olinger, T; Bob Treiber, C; Dave VanHeyningen, C; Harry Doege, E; Mike McDonald, E; Bob Edgerle, E; Mike Sinclair, E; Phil Gibbs, E; Charles Hodges, QB; Dennis Trathen, QB; Dave Lake, B; John Finkbeiner, B; Pat Cosgrove, B.
SCHEDULE—Byron Center; G. R. East Christian; Middleville; G. R. Central Christian; Wayland; Hamilton; Maple Valley; Belding.

MAPLE VALLEY

Ten letterwinners return to give coach Bill Gibbs a solid nucleus for the 1968 season. Maple Valley was 4-3-1 last year and Gibbs expects a large group of junior varsity players to move up and help improve that record. Steve Stine returns at quarterback where he was All-Expressway Conference last year, passing for 469 yards and scoring 27 points. He'll have 160-pound end Dave Dipert back to throw to.
MAPLE VALLEY (4-3-1)—6 Lakewood 0; 0 Middleville 35; 13 Wayland 0; 7 Portland 19; 7 Hamilton 6; 6 Bellevue 12; 6 Olivet 0; 14 Caledonia 14.
RETURNEES—John Bursley, LB; Dave Dipert, E-LB; Dale Fisher, G-LB; Bob Misener, G; Orvin Moore, HB; Gordon Reid, HB; Walt Shaw, C-LB; Steve Stine, QB; Steve Tefft, T-LB; Ray Garvey, E-HB.
SCHEDULE—Lakewood; Middleville; Wayland; Portland; Hamilton; Bellevue; Olivet; Caledonia.

WAYLAND

Coach Lyle Berry faces a rebuilding year with only five regulars back. Wayland was fourth in the league last year. Randy Rairaigh (6-3, 215) returns at tackle both ways. Rich Toland, who led the team in scoring and averaged four yards rushing, returns at fullback.
WAYLAND (4-5)—6 Plainwell 18; 27 Hamilton 13; 0 Maple Valley 13; 13 Caledonia 18; 7 Cedar Springs 32; 13 Middleville 12; 19 Byron Center 0; 6 Coopersville 13; 32 Hopkins 0.
RETURNEES—Randy Rairaigh, T; Terry Henderson, G; Jerry LaValley, E; Rich Toland, FB; John Baar, HB; Wayne Lapham, QB; Mike Nardin, T; Tom LaTondress, E; Howard Thomas, C; Gordon Sprague, T; Steve Parks, HB.
SCHEDULE—Plainwell; Hamilton; Maple Valley; Hart; Caledonia; Middleville; Byron Center; Jenison; Hopkins.

HAMILTON, the tailender last season, figures to be about the same again.

FLINT AREA PAROCHIAL LEAGUE

DIVISION I

Holy Redeemer is the team to beat, while Holy Rosary will make a push for the top.

Best Lineman: guard Craig Heenan, Holy Redeemer;
Best Back: fullback Ron Groulx, Holy Rosary.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Flint St. Matthew	5	0	0	Flint St. Mary	1	4	0
Owosso St. Paul	3	2	0	New Lothrop			
Flint Holy Rosary	3	2	0	St. Michael	0	5	0
Mt. Mor. St. Mary	3	2	0				

FLINT HOLY REDEEMER

A fluke touchdown on a fumble cost Holy Redeemer and coach Fred Rademacher a perfect season in 1967. That's a tough mark to better, but 16 lettermen, several of which could be outstanding, indicate the possibility is there. Rebuilding the defensive line seems to be the most pressing problem. Quarterback Pat Blondin and halfback Jim Goggins lead a potent offense. Holy Redeemer carries the favorite's tag.
HOLY REDEEMER (8-1-0)—7 Linden 6; 32 Fowlerville 19; 6 Saginaw St. Peter and Paul 7; 19 Flint St. John Vianney 6; 20 Bay City St. James 6; 27 Flint St. Agnes 6; 44 Flint Carman 6; 25 Saginaw St. Andrew 0; 25 Flint St. Michael 0.
RETURNEES—Jim Goggins, HB; Pat Trimble, HB; Pat Blondin, QB; Paul Dunkelberg, HB; Tom Kilry, F; Bob Chambers, HB; Rod McAra, S; Regis Benton, E; Dan Walker, T; Rob Brown, T; Paul Shaffer, T; Craig Heenan, G; Don McInnis, G; Bob Hooks, G; Pete Perez, G; Mike Simmons, C.

ST. MICHAEL and VIANNEY are the other teams in the division.

DIVISION II

Owosso St. Paul is the favorite, while Mt. Morris St. Mary could surprise.

Best Lineman: end Dan Roesner, St. Mary's;
Best Back: halfback Tom Brown, Owosso St. Paul.

OWOSSO ST. PAUL

Larry Long has improved the Blue Wave record in each of his three seasons as head man. With 14 returning lettermen, headed by All-Conference Tom Brown, St. Paul hopes to move up from second place. Freedom of injuries and finding a leader are factors that Long feels necessary to make that jump.

ST. PAUL (7-1-0)—18 New Lothrop 0; 20 Flint Rosary 7; 54 Ashley 6; 14 Flint St. Mary 13; 0 Mt. Morris St. Mary 7; 35 New Lothrop St. Michael 13; 26 Flint St. Matthew 7; 18 Morrice 6.

RETURNEES—Fred Butcher, E; Tom Drabek, E; Charles Snyder, G; Bob Hemenway, G; Tom Thiede, G; Mike Vogl, QB; Tom Brown, HB; Tom Fredeua, HB; K. C. Gilbert, E-FB; Bob Bakos, FB-LB; Dave Perina, FB-T; Pat Dwyer, E; Charles Riley, QB; Dan Campbell, G.

SCHEDULE—New Lothrop; Morrice; at Flint St. Mary; at Flint Holy Rosary; Flint Holy Redeemer; at New Lothrop St. Michael; at Flint St. Matthew; Mt. Morris St. Mary; league playoff.

MT. MORRIS ST. MARY

The passing combination of Don Winchester to Dan Roesner is the key weapon for coach Al Eschman and the Shamrocks. A running back or two and rebuilding the defensive line could move the Mt. Morris eleven to or near the top. Winchester completed 48 of 103 passes for 635 yards and six touchdowns as a sophomore. Roesner was his principal receiver, plus being a great defensive back and averaging 35 yards per try on 34 punts. St. Mary should be a contender.

M. M. ST. MARY (5-3-0)—33 Genesee 0; 7 Flint St. John 0; 6 Flint St. Agnes 20; 7 Owosso St. Paul 0; 6 Flint St. Matthew 20; 18 Flint St. Mary 6; 0 Flint Holy Rosary 7; 19 Flint St. Michael 6.

RETURNEES—Donald Winchester, QB; Daniel Roesner, E; Charles Whitney, B; Michael Lajewski, T; John Belott, C-G; Thomas Reed, E; Richard Roesner, E.

SCHEDULE—at Genesee; Flint St. John; Flint St. Matthew; Flint St. Michael; at Flint St. Agnes; Flint St. Mary; open; at Owosso St. Paul; playoffs.

ST. MATTHEW, ST. MARY and NEW LOTHROP ST. MICHAEL complete the division line-up.

FLINT BIG EIGHT CONFERENCE

Owosso is the big favorite to win a sixth straight title, but Flint Beecher should be right in the thick of the race.

Best Lineman: defensive tackle John Gay; Flint Beecher;
Best Back: quarterback Brad Van Pelt, Owosso.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Ainsworth	7	1	0	Mt. Morris	3	5	0
Owosso	7	1	0	Kearsley	2	6	0
Davison	5	3	0	Clio	2	6	0
Beecher	5	3	0	Grand Blanc	1	7	0
Flushing	4	4	0				

OWOSSO

Mr. Everything is the billing that Trojan coach Don Gray pins on his prize quarterback, Brad Van Pelt. Leading a list of 12 returning lettermen, Van Pelt, a rugged 6-4, 215 pounder, tossed eight scoring bombs as a junior, in addition to carrying the ball for seven yards a trip, punting, kicking off and kicking extra points. Van Pelt is also Owosso's top defensive back. Holes in the defense will have to be filled before Gray's charges go after their sixth consecutive championship.

OWOSSO (7-2)—6 Davison 27; 28 Flint Ainsworth 13; 0 Flint NW 27; 20 Flint Kearsley 0; 21 Flint Beecher 13; 6 Clio 0; 14 Flushing 7; 13 Mt. Morris 0; 45 Grand Blanc 0.

RETURNEES—Brad Van Pelt, QB; Dave Rann, HB; Barry Swarthout, HB; Carl Perry, HB; John Dvorak, C; Mike Bruff, C; Russ Jennings, G; Wade Scarlett, T; Russ Friess, T; Tim Hank, E; Dennis Moore, E; Ken Arnett, HB.

SCHEDULE—Flint Ainsworth; at Flint Carman; at Davison; Flint Beecher; Flint Kearsley; at Flushing; Clio; at Mt. Morris; Grand Blanc.

SCHEDULE—Linden; Fowlerville; Flint Holy Rosary; Flint St. John; Owosso St. Paul; Flint St. Agnes; Flint Bendle; Flint St. Michael.

FLINT HOLY ROSARY

Coach Mickey Hamilton faces the new season with guarded optimism with a good nucleus of 15 letterwinners returning as the team enters a new conference. The Wolverines have a veteran at every position except halfback. Fullback Ron Groulx had three games with over 150 yards rushing in each with a top total of 225 yards. He is also a defensive standout. Jim Brassver and Keith Gauthier are quarterbacks with experience.

HOLY ROSARY (5-2)—30 Ortonville-Brandon 7; 7 Owosso St. Paul 20; 12 Flint St. Mary 0; 39 St. Michael 0; 34 Morrice 6; Mount Morris St. Mary 0; 0 Flint St. Matthew 12.

RETURNEES—Jim Brassver, QB; Rick Harland, G; Ken Galves, G; Larry Noyce, E; Rick Lietelt, G; Ray Prevo, T; Ron Groulx, FB; Blake Bridges, HB; Ron Galves, E; Phil Lewis, HB; Rick Matts, T; Dale Badgley, C; Dennis Fairman, G; Ralph Engle, T; Keith Gauthier, QB.

SCHEDULE—Ortonville; Owosso; Holy Redeemer; Flint St. Mary; open; Flint St. Michael; Flint St. Agnes; Flint St. John Vianney.

FLINT ST. AGNES

Coach Tom Skinner lost 22 men, will lack size and speed, and comes off a 1-6-2 season, but he remains optimistic and veterans Fred Smedley and Jerry Topolinski could provide the reason for that optimism. They are rated spoilers. Any slips by league rivals and the Crusaders could surprise. Two tough opening games will go a long way in determining how much trouble St. Agnes will cause.

ST. AGNES (1-6-2)—13 Flint Bentley 13; 14 Flint St. Matthew 19; 20 Mt. Morris St. Mary 6; 13 Flint St. Michael 21; 21 Saginaw St. Andrew 24; 7 Flint Holy Redeemer 27; 6 Saginaw St. Peter-Paul 44; 7 Bay City St. James 27; 12 Flint St. John Vianney 12.

RETURNEES—Joe Glynn, E; Tim Winters, E; Tom Goergen, T; Joe Novak, T; Ken Bachman, G; Francis Charron, C; Dave Forrest, B; Keith Hamilton, B; Dan Kushuba, B; Al Perry, B; Fred Smedley, B; Gerald Topolinski, B.

SCHEDULE—Flint Bentley; Flint St. Matthew; Flint St. John Vianney; Flint St. Michael; Mt. Morris St. Mary; Flint Holy Redeemer; Flint Holy Rosary; Atherton.

DAVISON

1968 will see a youth-dominated Cardinal team. An entirely underclassman offensive line will be fairly tough. Coach Ed Shears looks for an average season, with the real power to show in '69..

DAVISON (6-3)—27 Owosso 6; 14 Kearsley 13; 20 Beecher 23; 37 Clio 13; 21 Flushing 14; 20 Mt. Morris 32; 12 Grand Blanc 0; 27 Carman 6; 6 Ainsworth 20.

RETURNEES—Bill Pethers, HB; Ron Wilch, HB; Gary Van Wagoner, QB; Chris Shears, QB; Dan Reigle, HB; Keith Flewelling, HB; Chuck Marshall, E; Jan Burdick, E; George Smith, G; Tracy Harlan, T; Roger Robinson, T; Gary Frazee, T; Jon Whitman, T; Gary Campbell, G.

SCHEDULE—Beecher; Fenton; Owosso; Kearsley; Flushing; Clio; Mt. Morris; Grand Blanc; Beecher.

FLINT BEECHER

The Buccaneers, under Jerry Laycock, are expected to be a leading contender for the title. They finished third last season, and have 13 lettermen returning, including all-conference halfback, Greg Williams, defensive tackle, John Gay (250), and quarterback Gary Vizina, who completed 81 of 158 passes for over 1100 yards and six TD's. The size would be impressive even without middle guard Simon Isom who may be the largest in the state at 370 pounds.

BEECHER (6-3-0)—14 Mt. Morris 12; 3 Grand Blanc 0; 23 Davison 20; 14 Ainsworth 18; 13 Owosso 21; 6 Kearsley 14; 31 Lapeer 6; 27 Clio 14; 14 Flushing 7.

RETURNEES—Jeff Bruff, E; Gary Scott, E; John Nicander, E; John Gay, T; Harry Lewis, LB; Simon Isom, MG; Dave Nicholson, G; Charles Ewers, C; Gary Vizina, QB; Gregg Williams, HB; Dennis Noyce, HB; Greg Drew, HB; Greg Hynes, FB.

SCHEDULE—at Davison; at Buena Vista; Clio; at Owosso; Mt. Morris; at Kearsley; Grand Blanc; at Flushing; Davison.

FLUSHING

The Raiders face a rebuilding season with only seven lettermen returning from last fall's fifth place team. Coach Dar Christiansen must build almost a complete new line with only three veterans back, led by all-conference tackle Willie Hurst (215). He must find an end, tackle, guard, and center. An all-veteran backfield could be used, with quarterback Bernie Prevett, halfbacks Bar Jenniches and Robert Scoble, and fullback Jerry Clement.

FLUSHING (5-4)—14 Clio 7; 40 Bridgeport 18; 12 Mt. Morris 6; 14 Grand Blanc 0; 14 Davison 21; 7 Ainsworth 14; 14 Kearsley 7; 7 Beecher 14; 7 Owosso 14.

RETURNEES—Jerry Clement, FB; Bart Jenniches, HB; Robert Scoble, HB; Doug Kleinedler, E; Dale Koon, G; Bernie Prevett, QB; Willie Hurst, T.

MT. MORRIS

Mt. Morris is the only Class "B" member of the tough conference. Overcoming handicaps is nothing new for coach Dick Syring, and his Panthers are expected to prove tough competition for all his Class "A" rivals. Ten returning lettermen are headed by a pair of all-conference selections, Dave Young at center and halfback Gregg Carrier. The Panthers should do better than 3-6 of last season.

MT. MORRIS (3-6-0)—12 Beecher 14; 6 Flushing 12; 14 Clio 7; 7 Grand Blanc 13; 32 Davison 20; 0 Bay City John Glenn 12; 18 Ainsworth 19; 0 Owosso 13; 19 Kearsley 13.
RETURNEES—Dave Jewett, E-FB; Dan Guy, T; Rick Shanks, T; Tom Crawford, G; Dick Van Fleest, G; Dave Young, C; Brad Leeck, QB; Gregg Carrier, HB; Myles Allen, HB; Mike Wood, HB.
SCHEDULE—Cass City; Swartz Creek; Flushing; Clio; Beecher; Grand Blanc; Davison; Owosso; Kearsley.

FLINT KEARSLEY

Coach Bruce Anderson says, "Victories are hard to come by, and I cannot see any drastic change for next year". Eleven returning lettermen could change a frown to a smile. The Hornets are always tough to score on and if the offense jells, Kearsley could be a contender.
KEARSLEY (3-6)—13 Grand Blanc 0; 13 Davison 14; 7 Ainsworth 19; 0 Owosso 20; 26 West Branch 7; 14 Beecher 6; 0 Clio 12; 7 Flushing 14; 7 Mt. Morris 19.
RETURNEES—Jim Bonnell, E; Ted Decker, E; Randy Eckstrom, T; Bob Lovegrove, T; Ted Brown, G; Doug Elmy, G.
SCHEDULE—Oscoda; Holly; Grand Blanc; Davison; Owosso; Beecher; Flushing; Clio; Mt. Morris.

CLIO

The Mustangs have 28 lettermen returning, with a two-deep veteran line-up at every position. Biggest drawback to a successful season may be a lack of size in the line to help some fast backs. Coach Loren Willey will be attempting to rebuild both lines where several regulars were lost. Tim Sanborn, last fall's leading rusher, returns at halfback as does defensive middle guard Ron Ayotte. Charles Giffel is a strong two-way performer at offensive guard and defensive linebacker where he led the team in tackles.
CLIO (2-7)—7 Flushing 12; 7 Mount Morris 12; 12 Grand Blanc 6; 14 Ainsworth 24; 14 Davison 24; 0 Owosso 6; 18 Beecher 24; 12 Kearsley 0; 0 Bridgeport 12.
RETURNEES—Brad Smith, HB; Tim Sanborn, HB; Mike Belill, QB; Gary Nordstrom, FB-LB; Gary Gilson, FB-LB; Craig Denkins, QB-S; Bill McGillivray, T-LB; Ron Ayotte, G; Charles Giffel, G-LB; Mike Goodwin, T; Terry Randal, E; Jim Andrews, E; Dave Bortel, E; John Conway, HB; Tony Tortorise, C; Pat Haynes, C; Kirk Campbell, E; Scott Castle, HB; Mark Childs, G; Fred Filmore, HB; Bruce Garner, HB; John Mallock, HB; Dave Marsh, E; Mike Martin, G; Dave McCord, T; Jeff Montague, G; Dave Moore, T; Duane Merrihew, T.
SCHEDULE—Warren Mott; Bay City Catholic; at Beecher; Mount Morris; at Grand Blanc; Davison; at Owosso; Kearsley; at Flushing.

GRAND BLANC

Coach Don York is generally optimistic about the coming season after finishing in the cellar in 1967. The Bobcats have 17 letterwinners returning with veterans at every position. Quarterback is sophomore Scott Mitchell (180). Terry Fair (220) is a veteran tackle.
GRAND BLANC (1-8)—0 Kearsley 13; 0 Beecher 3; 7 Clio 12; 0 Flushing 13; 13 Mt. Morris 6; 6 Northwestern 36; 0 Davison 12; 0 Ainsworth 26; 6 Owosso 42.
RETURNEES—Bill Ferguson, C; Tom VanderMolen, C; John Carey, C; Carter Thomas, G; Al Bison, G; Steve Gundry, T; Dave Dohrman, E; Brad Becker, E; Scott Mitchell, QB; John Ward, B; Chris Odette, B; Jeff Wilson, B; Floyd Thorton, B; Dave Rose, B; Terry Fair, T; Bob Catton, B; Dale Casto, T.
SCHEDULE—Carman; Mount Pleasant; Kearsley; Beecher; Clio; Flushing; Mount Morris; Davison; Owosso.

FLINT METRO LEAGUE

Six schools comprise this newly formed league.

Fenton and Ainsworth should be the top contenders and either could win should the other slip just once.

Best Lineman: tackle Ted Witte, Holly;
Best Back: quarterback Steve Guilbault, Fenton.

FENTON

The winningest team in the state over the last two seasons should keep on doing just that this season. The Tigers will place their 19-game winning streak on the line in the Metro League this season. Coach Ken Wegner, last year's Michigan Prep Coach-of-the-Year, has six starters returning from last year's perfect team. Quarterback Steve Guilbault, end Ron Dery, linebackers Marv Pushman and Dale Flore, guard Dan Kurtz and tackle Steve Gregory will be counted on heavily.
FENTON (9-0)—25 Howell 0; 19 Bentley 13; 13 Atherton 7; 13 Montrose 12; 21 Durand 7; 37 Bendle 13; 18 Swartz Creek 0; 25 Lakeville 0; 54 Holly 13.
RETURNEES—Steve Guilbault, QB; Marv Pushman, LB; Dean Stevenson, HB; Dale Flore, HB; Ron Dery, E; Ken Gregory, T; Dan Kurtz, G; Steve Walker, G; Ken Madden, HB; Bob Josdyn, C; Craig Anderson, E; Steve Anderson, E; Ken Ferguson, E; Mark Gould, E; Tom VanDuesen, G; Jim Palmer, G; Martin Covert, G; John Rasmovich, T; Gary Morris, E; Craig Rockman, HB; Bill Nagy, T; Roy Marlow, G; Tom Lintz, QB; Richard Cardinal, E; Dennis O'Grady, G; Jim Reynolds, LB; Chuck Bonker, E.
SCHEDULE—Howell; Davison; open; Swartz Creek; Holly; Carman; Lapeer; Ainsworth; Bentley.

FLINT AINSWORTH

Jim Robinson, in his first season last year as head coach, shared the "Big Nine" title with Owosso. Ainsworth switches to the Metro or County "B" loop. The Spartans are rated co-favorites in the new circuit. Halfbacks Mike Hewitt and Don Adamson are expected to pace the charge. Only three other lettermen return, but ample help is expected from the junior varsity ranks.
AINSWORTH (8-1-0)—40 Carman 6; 13 Owosso 28; 19 Kearsley 6; 18 Beecher 14; 26 Clio 6; 14 Flushing 7; 19 Mt. Morris 18; 25 Grand Blanc 0; 20 Davison 6.
RETURNEES—Mike Hewitt, HB; Dan Adamson, HB; Don Wohlford, E; Mike Goulet, G; Ted Habermehl, G.
SCHEDULE—at Owosso; Flushing; open; Carman; at Swartz Creek; Holly; at Lapeer; Fenton; at Bridgeport.

HOLLY

With only two starters lost from last season's team, coach Elmer Rice is very optimistic about his team's chances in a new league. Tackle Ted Witte (225) and center Jim Bradley (215) anchor the interior line. Quarterback Hank Norton and fullback Tim Burns (190) return for the Bronchos on offense. Fourteen lettermen form the nucleus of the squad.
HOLLY (3-5-1)—20 Flint Bendle 20; 7 Northville 6; 0 Bloomfield Hills 20; 7 Clarkston 13; 20 West Bloomfield 28; 14 Milford 34; 38 Brighton 7; 13 Clarenceville 6; 13 Fenton 54.
RETURNEES—Dan Gillespie, E; Dale Hitchcock, E; Mike Dunning, E; Ted Witte, T; Walt Carnes, T; Tim Striggow, G; Jim Bradley, C; Dave Chamberlin, C; Hank Norton, QB; Tim Burns, FB; Tom Roeder, HB; Mel Crider, HB; Carroll Edwards, FB.
SCHEDULE—Flint Bendle; at Flint Kearsley; at Flint St. Michael; at Lapeer; Fenton; at Swartz Creek; Flint Ainsworth; Flint Carman; at Milford.

LAPEER

The Panthers were independent in 1967. Coach Sid DeCou will have 13 lettermen back. The biggest veterans are tackle Denny Koyl (200) and center Casey Fitzpatrick (210).
RETURNEES—Mike Burke, C; Denny Koyl, T; Casey Fitzpatrick, C; Aaron Ostrander, G; Terry Surtees, E; Gary Preville, B; Mark McKillen, B; Steve Ware, B; Gary Thompson, B; Brad Gerlach, B; Jim Ruddy, G; Tony Abruzzo, G; Lindsay McGlashon, E.
SCHEDULE—Romeo; at Port Huron Northern; Lakeville; Holly; at Flint Carman; at Flint Ainsworth; Fenton; at Swartz Creek; Saginaw MacArthur.

SWARTZ CREEK and FLINT CARMAN complete the new set-up.

FLINT SUBURBAN C LEAGUE

Linden looks to be considerably better than the rest of the pack.

Best Lineman: end Steve Morgan, Hartland;
Best Back: fullback Tom Kelly, Linden.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Linden	7	0	0	Genesee	3	4	0
Flint Hamady	5	1	1	Hartland	2	4	1
Lake Fenton	5	2	0	Goodrich	1	6	0
Brandon	4	3	0	Byron	0	7	0

LINDEN

Eagles' coach Jim Leighty is a man who can look forward to the 1968 season with no qualms. His Eagles (8-1), the Suburban C League champions, return ten lettermen, all very experienced. Tom Kelly, the league's leading scorer, who was one of six players to make the all-conference team, returns. Their hopes for another conference championship would add another notch to Linden's four year success story, all under Leighty.
LINDEN (8-1)—6 Flint Holy Redeemer 7; 33 Flint Hamady 6; 33 Hartland 0; 75 Genesee 6; 6 Lake Fenton 0; 71 Byron 0; 26 Brandon 0; 39 Goodrich 0; 27 South Lyon 13.
RETURNEES—Dave Corleu, QB; Jim Walsh, HB; John Walsh, HB; Tom Kelly, FB; Steve Karnowski, G; Gene Yax, T; Dennis Stanley, T; Dale Van Camp, T; Pat Starrs, E; Brad Alburtus, E.
SCHEDULE—Flint Holy Redeemer; Hartland; Genesee; Lake Fenton; Byron; Brandon; Goodrich; South Lyon.

FLINT HAMADY

The Hawks join the Genesee County "B" Conference in 1968 and it may take a year or two to adjust to the tough opposition. Coach Bob Martus lost 16 seniors. Size plus experience are the biggest handicaps. An excellent linebacker is Loren Taylor.
HAMADY (4-3-1)—0 Birch Run 6; 6 Linden 33; 38 Byron 0; 31 Goodrich 6; 69 Genesee 0; 0 Hartland 0; 16 Lake Fenton 6; 6 Montrose 31.
RETURNEES—Loren Taylor, G; Chris Kamerschen, G; John Rozsypal, E; Steve Bates, HB; Mike Baldwin, HB; Tom

Gekeler, FB; Gary Saunders, E; Don Munro, C.
SCHEDULE—Birch Run; at Bendle; Montrose; at Bentley; Atherton; at Lakeville; Durand; at Caro.

LAKE FENTON

Coach Richard Dewling has four starters returning at Lake Fenton including All-Suburban "C" League quarterback Randy Hoover. Other key lettermen for the Blue Devils are tailback Wayne Newton who averaged five yards a carry and scored three TD's a year ago, two-way tackle Mike Williams who will move to fullback, guard Greg Groesser and 225-pound junior tackle Dale Feldhahn.
LAKE FENTON (6-2)—19 Flint St. Mary 6; 40 Byron 0; 40 Genesee 6; 27 Hartland 7; 0 Linden 6; 24 Brandon 0; 7 Goodrich 0; 6 Flint Hamady 17.
RETURNEES—Randy Hoover, QB; Wayne Newton, TB; Bill Lutz, WB; Dave Pollard, E; Bob Brown, E; Greg Groesser, C; Mike Williams, FB; Steve Adams, G; Paul Scholz, T; Dale Feldhahn, T; Joe Burgess, G; Ken Clawson, T.
SCHEDULE—Flint St. Mary; Genesee; Hartland; at Linden; at Brandon; Goodrich; Whitmore Lake; at Byron.

BRANDON

Coach William Pugh readily admits this will be a rebuilding year at Brandon. More than half of the Blackhawks squad is made up of sophomores. Only halfbacks Ed Westerby, and Mike Reed, quarterback Jim Krug, end Dave Modrigal and center Steve Krantz return from a .500 season. Westerby, a scatback, tallied five times as a soph while Reed served as a blocking back in additon to being a hard runner.
BRANDON (4-4)—7 Holy Rosary 32; 7 Hartland 0; 12 Goodrich 6; 0 Flint Hamady 45; 24 Byron 6; 0 Lake Fenton 24; 0 Linden 21; 19 Genesee 0.
RETURNEES—Ed Westerby, HB; Mike Reed, HB; Jim Krug, QB; Dave Modrigal, E; Steve Krantz, C.
SCHEDULE—Holy Rosary; Goodrich; Whitmore Lake; at Byron; Lake Fenton; Linden; at Genesee; at Hartland.

GENESEE

Coach Ray Simmonds appears to have quickness for the first time in several seasons. With a cast of 14 returning lettermen and 20 junior varsity performers, depth will not be a problem. Curt St. John, converted from end to quarterback in mid-season, is expected to provide the leadership. The Wolves seem likely to improve on their 3-6 season last fall. St. John is an excellent punter and place-kicker. He was booting the ball 60-70 yards on occasions last fall, and Simmonds anticipates the field goal a valuable point-getter this fall.
GENESEE (4-5-0)—0 Mt. Morris St. Mary 33; 21 Goodrich 6; 6 Lake Fenton 42; 6 Linden 71; 0 Hamady 56; 6 Hartland 3; 19 Brandon 0; 6 Atherton 56; 20 Byron 6.
RETURNEES—Curt St. John, QB; Pat Larkin, HB; Craig Beadle, HB; Tim Campbell, C; Terry Cain, C-G; Gary Foster, E; Rick Bruce, E; Ed Coon, E; Joe Cech, T; Carl Ball, T; Dick Williams, T; Doug Padjet, G; Ken Hudson, QB; Doug Perior, HB.
SCHEDULE—Mt. Morris St. Mary; at Lake Fenton; Linden; at Hartland; Whitmore Lake; at Byron; Brandon; Goodrich; Atherton.

HARTLAND

All-league defensive end Steve Morgan is back to lead Hartland to a better year than last fall's 3-5-1 card. Hartland had a good last half of last season though, winning three and playing to a tie in its last four games. Coach Jerry Cowan is hopeful the momentum will carry over and it may just do that.
SCHEDULE—at Linden; at Lake Fenton; Genesee; Goodrich; at Byron; at Ortonville; Novi.

GOODRICH

Size has been a handicap for coach Jerry Hughes in the past two seasons, with just two wins in the two seasons and none at all last year as evidence. Goodrich is now a class C school and has limited strength returning for '68. Guard Wayne Allis, an all-leaguer last fall, is the best of the returnees.
SCHEDULE—at Ortonville; Byron; at Hartland; at Lake Fenton; Linden; Genesee.

BYRON

With nine offensive and eight defensive starters returning, coach Dave Harrison expects considerable improvement on last year's 0-8 record this season. The Eagles have 14 starters from last year's squad returning. Mark Osborne and Dale Sands provide strong running at halfback and fullback respectively, while Bucky Heiney and Dennis Tefft are defensive stars.
BYRON (0-8)—0 Laingsburg 19; 0 Lake Fenton 40; 0 Hamady 38; 6 Goodrich 32; 6 Branden 24; 0 Linden 71; 0 Hartland 25; 6 Genesee 19.
RETURNEES—Bucky Heiney, QB; Mark Osborne, HB; Mike Rauch, HB; Dale Sands, FB; Dennis Tefft, E-T; Ron Heath, E; Brice Cole, T; Jim Matznick, G; Mike Miller, G; Mike Corey, G; Gary Berndt, C; Dutch Russell, C; Barry Van Wagoner, S; Don Sneed, G.
SCHEDULE—Laingsburg; at Whitmore Lake; at Goodrich; Branden; at Linden; at Genesee; Hartland; Lake Fenton.

GENESEE COUNTY B LEAGUE

With Fenton having moved to another league, Montrose now appears the best bet to win in '68.
Best Lineman: end Dave Hammon, Lakeville;
Best Back: halfback Jerry Maitland, Montrose.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Fenton	7	0	0	Durand	2	4	1
Montrose	5	1	1	Bentley	2	3	2
Swartz Creek	3	3	1	Lakeville	1	4	2
Atherton	2	2	3	Bendle	1	6	0

MONTROSE

The nicest feature of the 1968 Montrose team is the absence of nemesis Fenton from its schedule and the league. Fenton won the league title for eight straight years and has moved on to conquer new worlds in the Metro League, leaving Montrose, a 7-1-1 team last year, alone to take over the top spot. Halfback Jerry Maitland and guard Barry Paxton are a couple of all-leaguers returning to lead the way.
SCHEDULE—St. Charles; Chesaning; Hamady; at Bentley; Atherton; at Lakeville; Durand; at Bendle.

FLINT ATHERTON

The Wolverines have nine returning linemen and coach Jerry Leahy feels that lack of backfield speed and experience will be his most pressing problems. Atherton will probably turn to the air a good deal more to offset the lack of swiftness. The Wolverines should be much harder to score on.
ATHERTON (4-2-3)—34 St. John 0; 13 Lakeville 18; 7 Fenton 13; 34 Durand 0; 7 Swartz Creek 7; 14 Bentley 14; 20 Montrose 20; 25 Bendle 0; 52 Genesee 6.
RETURNEES—John Zelenko, T; Dennis Hier, G; Bruce Shinabarger, G; Dave Sadler, T; Gary Cummings, HB; Dennis King, FB; Richie Neault, HB.
SCHEDULE—at St. John Vianney; at Lakeville; Durand; at Bendle; Montrose; at Hamady; Bentley; at St. Agnes; at Genesee.

LAKEVILLE

Three all-conference performers in Dave Hammond, Dan Schell, and Chuck Hemingway, plus 11 other lettermen, including ten starters, has coach Al Bauer in a most optimistic mood. The Falcons surely will finish better than the 1-6-2 mark of last season. Bauer feels that Montrose and Flint Bendle are the teams to beat in the league.
LAKEVILLE (1-6-2)—0 Saginaw Buena Vista 39; 18 Atherton 19; 0 Durand 27; 7 Swartz Creek 7; 13 Bentley 13; 22 Montrose 26; 14 Bendle 26; 0 Fenton 25; 0 Frankenmuth 27.
RETURNEES—Dave Hammond, E; Dan Schell, E; Charles Hemmingway, HB; Keith Riegle, FB; Doane Renshaw, G; Butch Cargill, T; Larry Secord, LB; Terry Chaffer, HB; Ken Steumke, QB; Jim Templeton, T; Greg Stimson, T; Darrell Kenny, G; Jim Phillips, C; Ken Kuzma, G.
SCHEDULE—Buena Vista; Atherton; at Lapeer; at Durand; Bendle; at Montrose; Hamady; at Bentley; Frankenmuth.

FLINT BENDLE

From bottom to top in one season. That's a tall order, but 15 returning lettermen, headed by back Paul Trevarther and center Jerry Parsons might just turn the trick for Bill Lewinski and his Tigers. Finishing last in the loop in '67, rival coaches list Bendle as a contender in 1968.
BENDLE (1-7-1)—20 Holly 20; 0 Durand 7; 13 Swartz Creek 14; 7 Bentley 47; 0 Montrose 39; 13 Fenton 37; 24 Lakeville 13; 0 Atherton 25; 2 Port Huron Catholic 26.
RETURNEES—Paul Trevarthen, HB; John Krish, QB; Steve St. Charles, HB; Rick Johns, LB; Jerry Parsons, C; Larry Loveland, G; Bill Robinson, T; Ray Narreter, T; Tom Alward, T; Danny White, E; Charles Hudson, T; Ben Staley, E; Charles Johnson, E.
SCHEDULE—Holly; Hamady; Bentley; Atherton; Lakeville; Durand; Holy Redeemer; Montrose; Swartz Creek.

DURAND and BENTLEY complete the league line-up and both will try to improve on their mediocrity of last season.

GRAND RAPIDS CITY LEAGUE

Central and Ottawa Hills are the best bets, with Catholic Central trying to fight off inexperience to stay in the running.
Best Lineman: center Larry Smith, Central;
Best Back: fullback Craig Walenga, Catholic Central.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Catholic Central	5	1	0	West Catholic	2	4	0
Central	5	1	0	Creston	1	5	0
Ottawa Hills	5	1	0	South	0	6	0
Union	3	3	0				

GRAND RAPIDS CATHOLIC CENTRAL

Finding replacements for 29 graduated seniors is the chore facing coach Jerome Sieracki this season. Ten returning lettermen from the Cougars' 6-2-1 squad last season will be the nucleus to build from. Craig Walenga, a fullback who

led the league in rushing with 719 yards in 110 carries, in scoring with 11 touchdowns, and is an All-State honorable mention selection, will be the workhorse of the backfield and the key to the Cougar offense.
CATHOLIC CENTRAL (6-2-1)—26 Muskegon Catholic 0; 6 Ottawa Hills 0; 7 Central 20; 27 South 0; 47 West Catholic 0; 20 Creston 13; 6 Jackson St. John 12; 18 Union 7; 0 Traverse City 0.
RETURNEES—Craig Walenga, FB; Pat Knight, HB; Jerry Knight, HB; Kevin Casey, QB; John Lennon, HB; Jack Amar, HB; Dan O'Neil, HB; Pat Shea, G; Tim Schoen, T; Tom Kain, T; Rich Kahnoski, T.
SCHEDULE—Muskegon Catholic; Ottawa Hills; Central; South; West Catholic; Creston; Jackson St. John; Union; Traverse City.

GRAND RAPIDS CENTRAL

Coach Larry Barcheski lost 25 men through graduation last year and will have only five letterwinners returning. The only returning regular back is Larry Smith, All-City center and tackle who will also be captain this season. Wayne Mohn will get a shot at the fullback position and Cleve Wise has a good chance at one of the halfback positions. The Rams have won the Grand Rapids City League three out of the last four years, but Barcheski is taking a dim view this year, because of the lack of depth and inexperience on the team.
CENTRAL (6-2)—45 Okemos 6; 26 Union 13; 20 Catholic Central 7; 13 Creston 7; 28 South 0; 20 Traverse City 27; 13 West Catholic 0; 0 Ottawa 6.
RETURNEES—Larry Smith, C; Wayne Mohn, FB; Bob Swiger, G; Cleve Wise, HB; Tom Jeltema, E.
SCHEDULE—at Okemos; Union; Catholic Central; Creston; South; at Traverse City; West Catholic; Ottawa.

GRAND RAPIDS UNION

Union's 3-5 record of last year leaves its 18 returning lettermen a season to make up for.

Hopefully with their backfield returning intact, the Red Hawks will have a better year.
UNION (3-5)—13 Central 26; 19 Muskegon Catholic 13; 21 West Catholic 14; 0 Ottawa 19; 41 South 0; 0 Creston 7; 7 Catholic Central 18; 14 Benton Harbor 19.
RETURNEES—Bob Green, FB; Dave Sukeys, QB; Ted Gorgeld, E; Kim Evanzo, E; Con Wiest, C; Mike Pojeski, HB; Mike Fortuna, HB; John Mroz, FB; Greg Oleszczuk, T; Tom Bylinga, HB; Tom Eastman, E; Garry Greenshield, HB; Bruce DeFouv, HB.

GRAND RAPIDS WEST CATHOLIC

The Falcons hope to move up from fifth in the standings on the basis of their experienced backfield and defensive line. Coach Gene Jaglowski has 19 lettermen back. The offensive line has several holes from graduation. Bill Overkleft, a center and linebacker, is a fine two-way performer. Three big tackles return in Ron Rasch (200), George Tomasek (240), and John Turuta (210). Pat Cwayna and Joe Schmitt at quarterback head the list of eight veteran backs. Bruce Walski (185) at fullback and Bob Young (190) at end also return.
WEST CATHOLIC (4-5)—40 Grandville 12; 7 Creston 0; 35 South 0; 13 Union 20; 0 East Catholic 47; 6 Ottawa Hills 67; 0 Central 13; 14 Muskegon Catholic 7; 0 Muskegon Reeths-Puffer 8.
RETURNEES—Bob Steele, HB; Ron Rasch, T-G; George Tomasek, T; John Turuta, T; Bill Overkleft, C-LB; Dave Chulski, G; Bruce Walski, FB; Bob Young, E; Pat Cwayna, QB; Mike Mysliwiec, HB; Marty Prominski, HB; Joe Schmitt, QB; Gary Kirchoff, HB; David Thayer, LB; Art Armijo, WB; Bob Dauser, E; Mike Iwanski, E; Paul Dragalis, E; Dave Dykstra, C.
SCHEDULE—Grandville; Creston; South; Union; East Catholic; Ottawa Hills; Central; Muskegon Catholic; Muskegon Reeths-Puffer.

GRAND RAPIDS CRESTON

With 20 lettermen returning, coach Joe McGee's squad should be improved over last season. The Polar Bears should have a better defense led by linebacker Bill Grutter (6-1, 188) who has been a two-year regular. Greg Gordon (6-4, 205) is a big end. Jim Stevenson returns at quarterback along with flanker Jerry Buerkens.
CRESTON (3-5-1)—0 Godwin Heights 9; 0 West Catholic 7; 0 Ottawa Hills 7; 7 Central 13; 27 Grand Haven 27; 13 East Catholic 20; 6 Union 0; 34 South 13; 13 Northview 0.
RETURNEES—Dick Dill, C; John Orley, FB; Jim Stevenson, QB; Greg Gordon, E; Ten Albrecht, E; Mike Nelson, G; Pat Nelson, C; Mike Waltman, E; Jerry Buerkens, Fl; Dave Ferwerda, G; Tom Zock, HB; Larry Snellink, QB; Mark Mastaglio, HB; Ed Smith, LB; Bill Grutter, FB-LB; Tim Klomparens, T; Chuck Farrell, T; Dennis Schultz, QB; Ron Fuller, HB; Dave Turner, HB.
SCHEDULE—Godwin Heights; West Catholic; Ottawa Hills; Central; Grand Haven; East Catholic; Union; South; Northview.

GRAND RAPIDS EAST CHRISTIAN

The Panthers, under coach Fred VanSwol, will be playing varsity football for the first time in 1968.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN and OTTAWA HILLS both will fight for the top spot in the league race.

Meanwhile, SOUTH is simply trying to get into the win column at least once and should do it.

GREAT LAKES CONFERENCE

Negaunee might be just a shade better than Manistique, but both will engage in a fight to the wire. Gladstone is a definite darkhorse.

Best Lineman: end Steve Nelson, Gladstone.
Best Back: halfback Harlan Belmore, Marquette.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Negaunee	6	1	0	Marquette	3	4	0
Manistique	6	1	0	Ishpeming	3	4	0
Sault	5	2	0	Munising	1	6	0
Gladstone	4	3	0	Newberry	0	7	0

NEGAUNEE

It's pretty much of a rebuilding year at Negaunee this fall. Coach Lodie Morris lost 19 lettermen by graduation and matching last season's 7-1 mark seems far from reach. There are 14 lettermen back, but few saw regular action. Backs Dave PenRose (170) and Dennis Partanen (185) form a solid ground crew and Ernie Piirto, a 150-pound quarterback, is back to lead the attack.
NEGAUNEE (7-1)—33 Soo 6; 61 Ishpeming 0; 33 Marquette 7; 20 Manistique 7; 26 Munising 0; 60 Gwinn 0; 14 Gladstone 17; 31 Newberry 6.
RETURNEES—Gary Baldini, G; Wayne Cattron, E; John Hemmila, G; Dave Herman, T; Alan Keto, T; Jerry Luokkala, G; Jim Luoma, G; Dennis Partanen, FB; Dave PenRose, HB; Ernie Piirto, QB; Dexter Stille, G; Robert Treloar, T; Dave Turri, HB; Kurt Wicklund, FB.

SAULT

Sault may have a little trouble reaching its lofty position in the conference of a year ago. Coach Adolf Van Citters' Blue Devils finished third with a 5-2 league record last year and were 6-3 on the season, but only eight lettermen are back this fall. Guard Bruce Campbell and center John Minta give VanCitters two of the best interior linemen in the conference.
SAULT (6-3)—7 Negaunee 33; 12 Manistique 27; 7 Traverse City 27; 20 Newberry 0; 15 Ishpeming 12; 8 Marquette 7; 39 Munising 6; 25 Gladstone 6; 6 Alpena 0.
RETURNEES—Tom Bergeron, B; Bruce Campbell, G; Don Finlayson, B; Randy Johnson, E; Mike MacDonald, B; Jim B. Mackie, FB; John Minta, C; Peter Rushford, B; Bill Stanaway, G.
SCHEDULE—at Negaunee; Manistique; at Traverse City; Newberry; Ishpeming; at Marquette; Munising; at Gladstone; at Alpena.

GLADSTONE

Veteran coach Don Pfotenhauer has such a raft of returning lettermen returning that his 22nd year of leading the Braves should be a vintage one. No less than 25 lettermen are back from last year's 5-3 team and Gladstone should be the one to beat for the Great Lakes Conference championship.
GLADSTONE (5-3)—20 Gwinn 0; 19 Newberry 12; 0 Ishpeming 13; 13 Marquette 7; 0 Manistique 33; 26 Munising 6; 17 Negaunee 14; 6 Soo 25.
RETURNEES—Steve Nelson, E; Eric Triechel, E; Steve Manioci, E; Gary Goodman, T; Mike Lagina, T; Terry Soderman, T; John Watson, T; Harland Couillard, T; Ed Hart, G; Gorden Wery, G; Tom Pfotenhauer, G; Scott Stade, G; Dean Colliton, HB; Bruce Erickson, HB; Bob Carlson, FB; Pat Cole, FB; Bill Swenson, E; Ralph Dolhopf, FB; Joe Dehlin, C; Mike Reimer, C; Craig Johnson, C; Bruce Richards, QB; Dan LaCrosse, HB; Rick Lorenson, HB; John Shillinger, HB.

MARQUETTE

With eight regulars back from 1967, coach Jerry Pangrazzi is looking forward to a fine season. Much of the team's success will depend on finding two tackles where no veterans return. Center Dennis Nevala (240) returns along with the backfield of quarterback Dave Nyquist, halfback Harlan Belmore, and fullback Glen Brown. Dragon averaged 5.7 yards rushing and Belmore was 5.9.
MARQUETTE (3-5)—21 Kingsford 33; 40 Munising 24; 7 Negaunee 33; 7 Gladstone 13; 25 Newberry 13; 7 Soo 8; 25 Ishpeming 18; 19 Manistique 27.
RETURNEES—Dave Nyquist, QB; Brian Dragon, HB; Harlan Belmore, HB; Glen Brown, FB; Larry Gardepy, G; Bill Michelin, G; Russ Heathman, E; Dennis Nevala, C; John Olson, HB; Dick Goodwin, FB; Dave Myers, HB; Bob Swanson, HB; Tom Clark, G; Bob Libick, E.
SCHEDULE—at Kingsford; at Munising; Negaunee; at Gladstone; at Newberry; Soo; Ishpeming; at Manistique.

MUNISING

The Mustangs came out of 1967 with an eight game losing streak, but hope to reverse that trend under a new coach and

1) *A muddy Mitch Redmon is tackled by Waterford Kettering's Don Newton in Roseville's homecoming game last fall. Roseville rallied in the fourth quarter for a* 19-14 *decision. Photo Courtesy Macomb Daily.*

2) *East Detroit's Larry Bettencourt hauls in a pass for eight yards that Mount Clemens' John Lee tried to defend against. East Detroit scored a last quarter touchdown and extra point to win,* 7-6, *in action last year. Photo Courtesy Macomb Daily*

3) *Ken Wegner, Fenton coach, was named* 1967 *"High School Coach of the Year," by the Detroit News.*

4) *Bob White, Middleville head coach (left) and his assistant Jerry Page.*

5-6) *Middleville co-captains Al Dood and Gary Middleton.*

7) *Detroit Southwestern's head coach Mike Yatchman.*

8) *Detroit Redford in action last fall.*

9) *Jerry LaValley, Wayland end.*

10) *Randy Rairaigh, Wayland tackle.*

11) *Rich Toland, Wayland fullback.*

12) *Jim Leighty, Linden's fine coach.*

13) *Tom Kelly, Linden's outstanding runner, returns to lead the Flint Suburban C Conference in* 1968.

on a new home field. Among returning lettermen are seniors Mike Nettleton and Kit Cota.
MUNISING (1-8-0)—6 Newberry 0; 24 Marquette 40; 14 Manistique 34; 14 Ishpeming 21; 0 Negaunee 26; 6 Gladstone 26; 6 Sault Ste. Marie 39; 7 Escanaba Holy Name 20; 7 Stambaugh 27.

NEWBERRY

The Indians graduated only eight seniors, meaning Newberry will have quite a bit of experience back for '68.

The team is quite confident that it can better the 1-7 record of '67.
RETURNEES—John Bennett, E; Robert Pike, E; John Beng, T; Ken Watson, T; Paul Brunet, G; Matt Campbell, G; Len Rienlein, C; Don Thorley, HB; Paul Saino, HB; Lynn Burgess, FB; Larry St. Clair, HB; Tom Pann, HB; Pete Lavender, QB; Wayne Fahlen, G; Stanley Kenppen, G; Pat McGarey, T.
SCHEDULE—Munising; Gladstone; Rudyard; Sault Ste. Marie; Marquette; Ishpeming, Manistique; Negaunee.

MANISTIQUE tied for the title last season and will try to keep the status quo again.

ISHPEMING will fight to climb over the .500 mark.

GREAT LAKES LEAGUE

Whitmer, the champ last year, and Clay, the runner-up, are the best bets. Both are Ohio schools. Temperance Bedford, the only Michigan entry, doesn't appear to have quite enough.

Best Lineman: tackle Robert Brown, Bedford;
Best Back: quarterback Tom Graham, Bedford.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Whitmer	5	0	1	Sylvania	2	3	1
Clay	4	1	1	Fostoria	1	4	1
Port Clinton	3	3	0	Bowling Green	1	5	0
Temp. Bedford	3	3	0				

TEMPERANCE BEDFORD

Eight returning defensive starters among a total of 12 returning lettermen could make coach Ray Kwiatkowski's Mules a title contender in the Great Lakes League this season. Bedford was 5-4 last season and third in the league with six Ohio Schools.

A strong line, built around tackle Roger Brown, a 220-pounder, linebacker Blaine Geer and center Bob Swan will be a strong point, but the Mules lost their entire backfield from last year to graduation.
BEDFORD (5-4)—20 Cherry Hill 6; 16 Bowling Green 8; 34 Sylvania 8; 6 Clay 13; 22 Waite (Toledo) 0; 12 Port Clinton 14; 16 Defiance 28; 22 Fostoria 0; 0 Whitmer 22.
RETURNEES—Roger Brown, T; Joe Bushroe, G; Bill Dickey, T; Blaine Geer, G; Tom Graham, QB; Scott McDonald, C; Ed Roberson, G; Dan Siedlicki, HB; Bob Swan, C; Dave Theiss, T; Don Heasley, T; Mike Lucht, FB.
SCHEDULE—Ecorse; at Bowling Green; Sylvania; Clay; Ann Arbor Pioneer; Port Clinton; at Defiance; at Fostoria; at Whitmer.

GREAT NORTHERN CONFERENCE

Escanaba's the best bet, with Menominee again close on its heels.

Best Lineman: end Mickey Holmes, West Iron County;
Best Back: quarterback Pat Collins, Menominee.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Escanaba	4	0	0	Kingsford	1	3	0
Menominee	3	1	0	Holy Name	0	4	0
Iron Mountain	2	2	0				

ESCANABA

Coach Jerry Cvengros will have a nucleus of 13 lettermen back from last year's squad which posted a perfect 9-0 record and won the Great Northern Conference title. Jim Olsen, Dan Mylander and Ken Robitaille will provide running power at fullback and halfback. Greg Johnson returns at quarterback along with end John Moberg who caught two TD passes and averaged 37 yards on punts. Defensive captain John Mileski returns at linebacker for the Eskymos who were rated No. 5 in the state in Class A by UPI. Main losses were at center and tackle where two all-staters graduated.
ESCANABA (9-0)—14 Antigo, Wis. 0; 25 Menominee 7; 6 Canadian Soo 0; 47 Kingsford 0; 21 Milwaukee Mgt. 6; 26 Alpena 0; 20 Marinette, Wis. 7; 35 Iron Mountain 19; 38 Holy Name 7.
RETURNEES—John Mileski, G; Kent Anderson, G; Brian Ihlenfeldt, E; John Moberg, E; Steve Stropich, E; Dan Mylander, E; Gregg Johnson, QB; Jim Olsen, HB; Mike DuPont, FB; Ken Robitaille, HB; Steve Jurmu, G; Jim Derovin, FB; Jack Winters, HB.
SCHEDULE—Marinette Central; at Menominee; at Canadian Soo; Kingsford; at West Iron County; Alpena; Marinette, Wis.; at Iron Mountain; at Holy Name.

MENOMINEE

The Maroons of 1967 lost only to unbeaten Escanaba and figure to challenge the Eskymos for 1968 supremacy with a stable of hard-running backs, a veteran line and new material from an undefeated junior varsity team.

Pat Collins, quick and powerful, returns for his final season with Menominee's single-season rushing record already in his pocket. Collins rambled for 846 yards in 1967, breaking Billy Wells' record of 787 set before he went on to star for Michigan State. Collins will have help from Dewey Bellisle and Craig Butler in the Maroons' single-wing attack and Rick Nerat, 190-pound guard, returns to anchor the line.
MENOMINEE (8-1-0)—13 Stambaugh 7; 7 Escanaba 25; 7 Madison, Wis., West 6; 27 Rhinelander, Wis. 7; 27 Escanaba Holy Name 0; 34 Iron Mountain 6; 29 Ironwood 7; 33 Kingsford 0; 14 Marinette, Wis. 0.

IRON MOUNTAIN

A small, slow and inexperienced squad, the returnees from a 7-2 club last season, make for a rebuilding year for coach George Gusick at Iron Mountain. The Mountaineers have 13 returning lettermen, but lost Upper Peninsula back of the year Rudy Steiner, a quarterback, end-defensive halfback Albert Shupp, and guard George Wolard from last year's team to graduation.
IRON MOUNTAIN (7-2)—19 Escanaba Holy Name 7; 20 Ironwood 7; 33 Iron River 6; 39 Stambaugh 0; 47 Norway 13; 6 Menominee 33; 35 Stephenson 0; 19 Escanaba 35; 35 Kingsford 0.
RETURNEES: Jim Frendewey, QB; John Benso, HB; Mike Moreau, DHB; Doug Schupp, HB; Wally Menza, HB; Jere Grams, HB; John Pucci, LB; Dan Gauthier, E; Jerry Cohodes, E; Louis Cristan, G; Dennis Spigarelli, C; Jeff Mitchell, T; Rick Hartwell, T.
SCHEDULE—Escanaba Holy Name; Ironwood; West Iron County; Norway; Menominee; Escanaba; Kingsford.

KINGSFORD

The Flivvers of Rex Terwilliger, despite winning six games in 1967, were pushed around by "big" school powers Escanaba, Menominee and cross-town rival Iron Mountain, and may find similar problems this fall unless some weight can be added to punch holes for Kingsford's speedy backs. Biggest returning lineman is tackle Mike Kosovec (195). With a dozen other seniors returning, however, the Flivvers can be figured to "run" to a fair share of victories.
KINGSFORD (6-3-0)—33 Marquette 21; 33 Escanaba Holy Name 7; 31 Norway 0; 0 Escanaba 47; 32 Iron River 6; 20 Stephenson 0; 26 Stambaugh 20; 0 Menominee 33; 0 Iron Mountain 33.

ESCANABA HOLY NAME

Fourteen letterwinners return in hopes of moving up from last fall's cellar finish. Coach Tom O'Neil has a returning veteran at every position except center. The Crusaders have four halfbacks back to give them depth in the backfield.
ESCANABA HOLY NAME (3-5)—7 Iron Mountain 19; 7 Kingsford 38; 40 Bishop Baraga 0; 21 Lake Linden 7; 0 Menominee 30; 13 Manistique 14; 20 Munising 7; 7 Escanaba 38.
RETURNEES—Dan Patrick, E; Pete Quinn, G; Tom Cretin, E; Darly Prey, HB; John Daily, HB; Pete Ross, T; Steve Houle, HB; Richard Rush, E; Dick Gorenchan, G; Dan Young, FB; Glenn Theoret, T; Joel Sinclair, HB; Bob McGinn, QB; Dan Sarizan, G.
SCHEDULE—Iron Mountain; at Stephenson; at Manitowoc Roncalli; Menominee; at Kingsford; at Manistique; West Iron County; Munising; Escanaba.

WEST IRON COUNTY

This will be the first year for the school which is a consolidation of Iron River and Stambaugh. Coach Don McDonald, formerly at Stambaugh, will have ten lettermen from Iron River and nine from Stambaugh as the school begins play in a new conference. Jan Quarless (215) and Mark Ponozzo (220) are a pair of big tackles. McDonald must find a fullback to complete his line-up. Stambaugh was 4-4 last year while Iron River was 1-6.
STAMBAUGH (5-4-0)—7 Menominee 13; 7 Norway 6; 25 Greenwood, Wis. 20; 0 Iron Mountain 39; 12 Bessemer 0; 0 Iron River 6; 20 Kingsford 26; 33 Ishpeming 0; 27 Munising 7.
RETURNEES—IRON RIVER: Roy Webber, HB; Don Dominici, HB; Don Evans, G; Pat Nora, G; Jeff Gendron, LB; Randy Moritz, G; Jay Quarless, E; Leo Angeloff, T; Mark Ponozzo, T; Jan Quarless, T.
STAMBAUGH: Larry Rizzardi, QB; Steve Shoquist, QB; Mark Sartorelli, HB; Jim Cederna, C; Curt Balducci, G; Doug Smith, G; Jim Svendsen, T; Dean Halls, E; Mickey Holmes, E.
SCHEDULE—Menominee; Hancock; Bessemer; Escanaba; Iron Mountain; Kingsford; Escanaba Holy Name; Ishpeming.

GREATER THUMB CONFERENCE

Deckerville is the team to beat, while Birch Run and Millington should again be near the top.

Best Lineman: center Tim Periard, Birch Run;
Best Back: safety Jim Tanton, Deckerville.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Deckerville	6	0	0	Harbor Beach	2	4	0
Birch Run	3	1	2	North Branch	1	4	1
Millington	4	2	0	Brown City	1	5	0
Imlay City	2	3	1				

DECKERVILLE

Last season's undefeated conference champions have 14 letterwinners returning in 1968. Coach Jim Waldo welcomes back a big line with five weighing over 190 pounds and experienced ends who can run and catch. The Eagles have to replace half of their offensive backfield. End Bruce Tanton averaged 40 yards per punt last fall. Defensive safety Jim Tanton intercepted five passes. Biggest linemen are tackle Bob Sweet (220), guard Rich Lockart (220), and guard John Abbott (205).

DECKERVILLE (9-0)—25 Ruth 0; 32 Brown City 13; 19 North Branch 13; 25 Yale 0; 7 Harbor Beach 6; 13 Birch Run 12; 13 Millington 6; 12 Imlay City 0; 24 Saginaw Arthur Hill Tech 0.

RETURNEES—Bruce Tanton, E; Bob Sweet, T; Mark Stefan, T; Larry Cleland, B; Steve Russell, E; Jim Tanton, E; Dale Dumaw, G; Jim Durand, E; Chico Camacho, B; Doug Seiler, E; John Abbott, G; Rich Lockart, G; Wayne Salowitz, B; Gary Anderson, E.

SCHEDULE—Elkton-Pigeon; Imlay City; at Brown City; North Branch; at Yale; at Harbor Beach; Birch Run; at Millington; at Saginaw Arthur Hill Tech.

BIRCH RUN

Nine lettermen form the nucleus for the Panthers, who finished second in the conference last year. Coach Ray Peters will be looking for a couple of good backs to complement his eight returning linemen. Tim Periard, who has started three years, returns at center where he has been all-conference two years. Denny Keith is a top returning end. Tackle Jim Robinson and guard Gordon Neimi both weigh 210.

BIRCH RUN (5-2-2)—6 Flint Hamady 0; 19 Millington 7; 14 Imlay City 14; 25 Brown City 9; 13 North Branch 13; 12 Deckerville 13; 33 Harbor Beach 0; 0 Ovid-Elsie 7; 32 Freeland 6.

RETURNEES—Tim Periard, C; Denny Keith, E; Jim Robinson, T; Gordon Neimi, G; Denny Smith, E; Don Hutch, G; Steve Viau, G; Paul Muehlenbeck, T; Ron Fick, B.

SCHEDULE—at Flint Hamady; Yale; at Millington; Imlay City; at Brown City; North Branch; at Deckerville; Harbor Beach; at Freeland.

IMLAY CITY

Tackle Bob Fischaber leads a small group of returnees back for Imlay City, 2-3-1 in the conference last fall. In all, 15 players return. They are Ken Anderson, Paul Van Doeselaar, Gary Davis, Wallace Northrop, Ray Rathka, Wayne Bowman, John Burger, Ken Day, Ed Weingartz, Glenn Dean, Roy Topie, Mark Turner, Mark Dodge, John Mason and Gerry Shull. The latter six will vie for backfield spots.

YALE

The Bulldogs enter a new conference after finishing a winless 1967 campaign. Coach Keith Anderson has 14 lettermen back, led by halfback Dennis Hyde who gained 245 yards rushing on a 3.9 average. Scott Richards rushed for 95 yards while Dewey McClelland had 78 to his credit. Bill DeWolfe (6-2, 190) will be one flanker.

YALE (0-8-1)—13 Ubly 13; 0 Marysville 34; 0 St. Clair 25; 0 Deckerville 25; 0 Port Huron Catholic 73; 7 Algonac 34; 13 Marine City 25; 12 Croswell-Lexington 13.

RETURNEES—Dave Sabada, QB; Dennis Hyde, HB; Dewey McClelland, HB; Bill DeWolfe, E; Jeff Edwards, HB; Jim Bearss, LB-QB; Tom Campbell, T; Dennis Hall, G; Bob Halsey, G; Ron Lentner, T; Scott Richards, FB; Dave Wolf, T; Allan Gainer, G; Richard Dams, G.

SCHEDULE—Ubly; at Birch Run; North Branch; at Millington; Deckerville; at Imlay City; Harbor Beach; at Brown City; at Capac.

MILLINGTON will try to climb higher, while HARBOR BEACH, NORTH BRANCH and BROWN CITY will nestle down in the second division.

HURON LEAGUE

Blissfield will field another fine club, with Monroe Jefferson a good bet to finish at least second.

Best Lineman: tackle Dave Hedke, Gibraltar Carlson;
Best Back: quarterback Jim Martin, Flat Rock.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Blissfield	2	0	2	Tecumseh	1	2	1
Grosse Ile	2	1	1	Flat Rock	1	3	0
Airport	1	1	2				

BLISSFIELD

Undefeated in 15 games and with a conference championship under their belts, the Royals look forward to an equally fine '68 season. Coach Jack Hepinstall will miss a few outstanding players who graduated, but last year's reserves should fill their shoes. Outstanding linemen Bill Sauter and Keith Eisenmann return, along with backs Denny Thompson and Joe Andrews.

BLISSFIELD (7-2)—19 Hudson 7; 33 Harper Woods 6; 27 Grosse Ile 0; 26 Flat Rock 13; 0 Airport 0; 65 Huron 6; 0 Tecumseh 0; 40 Jefferson 7; 19 Dundee 15.

RETURNEES—Denny Thompson, E; Kyle Cranor, E; Larry Pagel, T; John Novak, G; Keith Eisenmann, C; Doug Bateson, QB; Jeff Tormoehlen, QB; Fred Bilkey, HB; Dave Knoblauch, HB; Joe Andrews, FB; Bill Sauter, HB.

SCHEDULE—at Hudson; Monroe C. C.; at Grosse Ile; at Flat Rock; Airport; Huron; Tecumseh; at Jefferson; at Dundee.

GROSSE ILE

Lack of size and experienced backs plague Grosse Ile football coach Jay Tissot this season and the veteran coach could very well experience one of the worst seasons in his 18-year career.

The Red Devils, who finished second in the Huron League last year with a 2-1-1 mark while compiling a 5-3-1 season's slate, have a tough season ahead in the rough conference which has expanded from five to nine teams this year.

Best among the returnees is 165-pound end Tom Page who along with tackle Roger Petras is the heaviest player in camp.

GROSSE ILE (5-3-1)—0 Riverview 40; 9 Carlson 6; 0 Blissfield 27; 26 Airport 26; 12 Tecumseh 7; 21 Flat Rock 13; 33 Jefferson 25; 19 Clintondale 6; 20 Monroe CC 33.

RETURNEES—Joe Guido, T; Bob Kramer, G; John Miller, QB; Tim Miller, G; Tom Page, E; Steve Palazzolo, FB; Roger Petras, T; Rick Serra, G; Nick Volk, E; Rusty White, T; Mike Wright, E.

SCHEDULE—Riverview; at Carlson; Blissfield; at Flat Rock; Tecumseh; at Airport; Monroe Jefferson; Huron; at Monroe Catholic Central.

AIRPORT

Coach Lloyd D. Lamphere welcomes back six starters from last fall's team which experienced its first non-losing season since 1953. The Jets will have to replace both guards, the center, and the fullback. Heading the 14 returning letterwinners is quarterback Larry Swick who completed 58 of 122 passes for 634 yards and four TD's. Russell Ray caught 25 passes for 288 yards. On defense, he made 83 tackles, intercepted a pass, and recovered two fumbles. Chuck Malone (6-4, 168) caught 18 passes for 200 yards and averaged 33 yards on punts.

AIRPORT (3-3-2)—20 Monroe Jefferson 0; 0 Erie Mason 27; 13 Chelsea 0; 26 Grosse Ile 26; 0 Blissfield 0; 0 Tecumseh 28; 43 Flat Rock 0; 0 Gibraltar Carlson 13.

RETURNEES—Keith Cronewett, T; Doug Foster, T; Tom Southworth, QB; Larry Swick, QB; Richard Shown, HB; Tim Chambers, HB; Harold Breitenbecher, HB; Mike Trippensee, HB; Steve Turner, HB; Mike Barchou, HB; William Guenther, E; Alan Smith, T; Russell Ray, E; Chuck Malone, E.

SCHEDULE—Monroe Jefferson; at Tecumseh; Huron; at Carlson; at Blissfield; Grosse Ile; Flat Rock; at Monroe Catholic Central.

TECUMSEH

Defense will have to carry Tecumseh just about all the way this fall. It's a good one but several offensive question marks —especially at quarterback—will keep the Indians off the war path this fall. Coach Tom Fagan has 14 lettermen back however, headed by linebacker Rick Steele and guard Jim Parros, and his tribe won't be exactly puffing peace pipes either. Halfback Ken Pieh and Larry Cote are back to form a powerful running duo with quarterback Jim Hunt returning to guide the attack. There's enough offensive material to make Tecumseh dangerous.

TECUMSEH (4-4-1)—26 Hillsdale 13; 21 Lutheran West 26; 13 Flat Rock 18; 19 Saline 13; 28 Airport 0; 0 Blissfield 0; 13 Willow Run 7; 0 Adrian 37; 13 Grosse Ile 18.

RETURNEES—Ken Pieh, HB; Jack Greenfield, G; Bob Hackett, T; Earl Ruttofsky, G; Paul Burns, E; Jim Hunt, QB; Larry Cote, HB; Steve Dalton, E; Gary Fairbanks, E; Dan Anderson, C; Dennis Lewis, C; Rick Steele, LB; Jim Perros, G; Carlo Mobley, E.

SCHEDULE—Hillsdale; Airport; Flat Rock; at Monroe Jefferson; at Grosse Ile; Monroe CC; at Blissfield; Gibraltar Carlson; at Adrian.

FLAT ROCK

Coach Tony Hoffman is banking on his seniors and sophomores to improve on his record of 1-3 in the Huron League last year. Outstanding on a team that will be young and small in the line is quaterback Jim Martin and fullback Wally Sisler. Last season Martin threw for 900 yards and as defensive signal caller was in on 84 tackles.

FLAT ROCK (4-5)—6 Monroe CC 21; 66 Monroe Jefferson 6; 18 Tecumseh 13; 13 Blissfield 26; 7 Milan 0; 13 Grosse Ile 21; 0 Airport 43; 0 Riverview 45; 74 Huron 0.

RETURNEES—Dave Brown, T; Doug Abbema, C; John Merideth, E; Chuck Goulding, G; Wally Sisler, FB-LB; Jim

Martin, QB; Mike Eppler, E; Bill Taylor, HB; Lee Scafidi, T.
SCHEDULE—Monroe CC; at Monroe Jefferson; at Tecumseh; Grosse Ile; at Carlson; Blissfield; at Airport; Riverview; at Huron.

GIBRALTAR CARLSON

With a nucleus of ten returning lettermen, the Marauders will make their '68 debut into the tough Huron league. In coach Hal Goodhue's first year of coaching last year, they compiled a 4-4 record. Dave Hedke and Paul Miles, two outstanding linemen, will return to try and better that record.
CARLSON (4-4)—19 Ypsilanti 20; 6 Grosse Ile 9; 28 Huron 0; 33 Monroe Jefferson 13; 7 Erie Mason 14; 21 Ypsilanti Roosevelt 0; 13 Airport 0; 14 Wayne John Glenn 21.
RETURNEES—Dave Hedke, T; Craig Cancilliari, T; Jeff Seitz, G; Paul Miles, C; Dean Reedy, HB; Tom Lambert, FB; Nick Spano, HB; Paul Montroy, HB; John Coleman, QB; Tony Scheffler, E.
SCHEDULE—at Huron; Grosse Ile; at Chelsea; Airport; Flatrock; Dundee; at Monroe Catholic Central; at Tecumseh; Monroe Jefferson.

NEW BOSTON HURON

The Chiefs are entering a new league in 1968 after a winless 1967 campaign. Coach Tom Grange welcomes back 15 lettermen with experience at every position although only one end returns. Quarterback Randy Clark, halfback John Johnson, and tackle Craig Adaline (180) top the list of veterans. Adaline is the heaviest member on the team.
HURON (0-7)—0 Gibraltar Carlson 28; 0 Monroe Jefferson 53; 0 Erie-Mason 55; 6 Blissfield 65; 0 Harper Woods 27; 12 Lincoln Consolidated 46; 0 Flat Rock 74.
RETURNEES—Randy Clark, QB; John Johnson, HB; Ollie Swim, FB; Therle Dregansky, HB; Gary Shrader, HB; Bill Crocker, HB; Ronnie Edmonds, S; Jon Shlagor, C; Joe Richert, C; Harold Franklin, G; Doug Hicks, G; Eddie Smith, HB; Rich Kamin, T; Craig Adaline, T; Keith Kentala, E.
SCHEDULE—Gibraltar Carlson; Harper Woods; Airport; Blissfield; Monroe Catholic Central; Monroe Jefferson; Lincoln Consolidated; Grosse Ile; Flat Rock.

MONROE CATHOLIC CENTRAL

Coach Rudy Kominek lost nine of 11 offensive starters and five of 11 defensive starters from his 1967 squad which posted a 7-1-1 record and finished second in the Huron League. The Falcons will have 14 letterwinners returning in the fall. Their success will depend on the progress of the new offensive starters.
MONROE (7-1-1)—21 Flat Rock 6; 6 Hamtramck 0 (forfeit); 7 Willow Run 7; 59 Romulus 0; 33 Toledo St. Johns 13; 21 Ecorse 13; 26 River Rouge 0; 14 Melvindale 20; 22 Grosse Ile 20.
RETURNEES—John Bagierek, HB; Jim Gaynier, G; Bruce Gonyea, QB; Jay Jondro, K; Craig Kyko, T; Ben Pollzzie, E; Jim Ready, T; Bill Sisung, HB; Mike Skinner, LB; Bill Valasco, G; Dennis Diltaene, E; Fred LaBeau, HB; Robbie Palmer, HB; Bill Scheich, FB.
SCHEDULE—at Flat Rock; at Blissfield; Jefferson; at Saline; at Huron; at Tecumseh; Gibraltar; Airport; Grosse Ile.

MONROE JEFFERSON

Monroe Jeferson enters a new league this fall with its best looking prospects in four years. The Bears will have depth problems at quarterback, guard and end, but are a cinch to improve on last year's 1-7-1 mark. Fourteen are back with letters and a year of experience from that club, so the situation is healthy.
MONROE JEFFERSON (1-7-1)—0 Airport 20; 6 Flat Rock 66; 0 Mason 46; 13 Carlson 33; 52 Huron 0; 19 Ida 19; 25 Grosse Ile 33; 7 Blissfield 40; 7 Whiteford 22.
RETURNEES—Bob Avendt, C; Jim Blanchett, E; Dan Brooks, T; Jack Price, G; Jim Duncan, G; Phil Smallets, DHB; Marc Duvall, HB; Mike Easter, FB; Gary Grahl, DHB; Chuck Impastato, QB; Chip Green, E; Scott Larkins, T; Joe Mata, T; George Maus, HB.
SCHEDULE—at Airport; Flat Rock; at Monroe CC; Tecumseh; at Milan; Huron; at Grosse Ile; Blissfield; at Carlson.

HURON STRAIGHTS LEAGUE

Petoskey will again try to hold off St. Ignace for the top spot, as several newcomers make stern challenges for title bids in the re-grouped league.

Best Lineman: tackle Ray Goudreau, St. Ignace;
Best Back: fullback Harold Blumke, Petoskey.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Petoskey	4	0	0	Cheboygan	1	3	0
St. Ignace	3	1	0	Onaway	0	4	0
Alpena Catholic	2	2	0				

PETOSKEY

Coach Jack Rowan can be quite optimistic as he heads into the '68 season, despite the loss of two all-staters. Petoskey returns 13 letterwinners and many saw considerable action in the Northmen's 6-2 season. Quarterbacks Dick Swenor and Jeff Knight return to battle for starting honors with 200-pounders Ed Rice and Russ Soutwood available to clear the way for 195-pound fullback Harold Blumke.
PETOSKEY (6-2)—19 Boyne City 13; 19 St. Ignace 6; 55 Onaway 0; 7 Traverse City St. Francis 13; 12 Ludington 13; 20 Cheboygan 0; 45 Lincoln-Alcona 0; 7 Alpena C. C. 0.
RETURNEES—Ed Rice, E; Bill McKnight, E; Dennis Philips, C; Ron Shafer, T; Dick Swenor, QB; Ron Hewitt, HB; Harold Blumke, FB; Russ Soutwood, T; Jeff Knight, QB; Ron Crosser, HB; John Yell, HB; Dave Howard, E; Jerry Borowy, FB.
SCHEDULE—Rogers City; Cheboygan; St. Ignace; T. C. St. Francis; Cadillac; Alpena C. C.; Charlevoix; Gaylord.

ST. IGNACE

Coach Jerry Gallagher loses 15 of 26 letterwinners from last fall's fine team which finished second in the conference and lost only one game. They outscored their opponents, 241-53. The Saints must replace a halfback and guard. Ray Goudreau (6-1, 210) and Terry Konle (6, 205) return at the tackles. Bob Brown is the returning quarterback.
ST. IGNACE (7-1)—60 Pickford 0; 27 Soo Canada 0; 44 Soo Loretto 6; 6 Petoskey 19; 33 Alpena Catholic Central 0; 19 Cheboygan 0; 26 Rudyard 7; 26 Traverse City St. Francis 21.
RETURNEES—Ray Goudreau, T; Gary Smith, C; Al Gustafson, E; Charles Brown, E; Bob Brown, QB; John Brown, HB; Bill McNamee, FB; Terry Konle, T; Dave Koivoniemi, G; Pete Everson, E; Jim St. Louis, T.
SCHEDULE—Rudyard; at Soo Loretto; Alpena Catholic Central; at Petoskey; Charlevoix; at Traverse City St. Francis; Gaylord; at Boyne City; Rogers City.

ALPENA CATHOLIC CENTRAL

With three fourths of last season's starting backfield returning, coach Al Pettyplace looks for improvement in Alpena Catholic Central's 3-5 mark of last season.

If the Thunderbolts are to be a title contender in the Huron Straights Conference, quarterback Dave Beach and halfbacks Rich Kauffman and Tom Boilore must provide much of the firepower.
ALPENA CC (3-5)—0 St. Mary's 24; 25 Manistee Catholic 63; 0 St. Ignace 33; 87 Onaway 0; 25 Barryton 7; 19 Traverse City St. Francis 27; 28 Cheboygan 0; 0 Petoskey 7.
RETURNEES—Dave Beach, QB; Rich Kauffman, HB; Tom Boilure, HB; Ed Scales, C; Tom Kries, G; Terry Denmark, T; Tom Townsend, E; Steve Habermehl, E; Dan Quin, E.
SCHEDULE—Cheboygan; St. Ignace; Petoskey; Charlevoix Traverse City St. Francis; Gaylord; Boyne City.

CHEBOYGAN

The Chiefs have only three lettermen returning in the line and four in the backfield. Three juniors will start for coach Herb Hileman in the backfield: quarterback Kirk Jewell and halfbacks Al Bertstrom and Jerry Peterson. No guards or centers return. Bert Proctor (225) and Elmer Hunsaker (190) are veteran tackles.
CHEBOYGAN (3-3-1)—12 Gaylord 6; 53 Onaway 6; 30 Rudyard 6; 0 St. Ignace 0; 7 Petoskey 21; 0 Alpena Catholic 23; 0 Clare 19.
RETURNEES—Tom LaVague, E; Bert Proctor, T; Elmer Hunsaker, T; Mark Preseau, FB; Jerry Peterson, HB; Al Bergstrom, HB; Kirk Jewell, QB.
SCHEDULE—at Alpena Catholic; Petoskey; at Charlevoix; Traverse City St. Francis; at Gaylord; Boyne City; at Rogers City; at Clare.

ROGERS CITY

After a year's absence, Rogers City will return to the grid wars in 1968.

Coach Joe Veselenal has to start virtually from scratch with no returning lettermen.
SCHEDULE—at Petoskey; Charlevoix; at Traverse City St. Francis; Gaylord; at Boyne City; Cheboygan; at St. Ignace.

TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS

Building lines to complement experienced offensive and defensive backfields is the task for coach Mike Kanitz at St. Francis this season. The Gladiators are without a single returning starter in the line from last year's 6-2 squad and sophomores will be heavily counted upon.
ST. FRANCIS (6-2)—20 Manistee Catholic 25; 49 Evart 0; 33 Hamilton 9; 13 Petoskey 7; 42 Onaway 0; 27 Alpena Catholic 20; 27 Manistee 18; 21 St. Ignace 25.
RETURNEES—John Wambold, HB; Ed Dutcher, HB; Fred Korb, FB; Kerry Glaesmer, T; Ed Detour, G; Tom Deering, G; Dave Castle, G; Kevin Dillon, C; Larry Smith, T; Mike Kelley, E; Randy Blumke, QB; Stan Kozlowski, QB; Mike Flees, T.
SCHEDULE—Gaylord; at Boyne City; Rogers City; at Cheboygan; St. Ignace; at Alpena Catholic; Petoskey; at Charlevoix; at Manistee Catholic.

GAYLORD, BOYNE and CHARLEVOIX, all new members in the conference, complete the league roster.

INGHAM COUNTY LEAGUE

Williamston and Stockbridge should be two of the toughest, but incumbent Fowlerville will also make a bold challenge

for top honors.
Best Lineman: end Mel Lewis, Fowlerville;
Best Back: halfback Bob Vogel, Stockbridge.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Fowlerville	5	0	0	Leslie	2	3	0
Williamston	4	1	0	Dansville	1	4	0
Stockbridge	3	2	0	Pinckney	0	5	0

FOWLERVILLE

Losing 25 of 36 players via graduation, coach Chuck Brigham's Gladiators are extremely inexperienced in the backfield corps—so green in fact, that star end Mel Lewis may be switched to a halfback slot. Lewis caught 15 passes last year for 345 yards and six touchdowns. Despite the large loss of players, Brigham feels that his line will be stronger than before. Fowlerville won the league championship in 1967.

FOWLERVILLE (8-1)—26 Haslett 18; 19 Flint Holy Redeemer 32; 31 Stockbridge 13; 39 Dansville 13; 30 Williamston 21; 55 Leslie 13; 34 Pinckney 6; 44 Oxford 6; 32 Howell 12.

RETURNEES—Mike Glover, G; Pat Glover, T; Bob Reilley, G; Howard Kelly, HB; George Preisinger, HB; George Grostick, T; Lavern Reason, T; Marv Witt, G; Mike Cool, HB; Jim Opper, E; Mel Lewis E.

SCHEDULE—Haslett; Flint Holy Redeemer; Leslie; Stockbridge; Perry; Williamston; Pinckney; Dansville; Howell.

WILLIAMSTON

Thirteen returning lettermen cause Hornet coach Jim Mooney to look upon the 1968 season optimistically. Williamston, which recorded a 7-1 mark last year, will be led by 185-pounder Chuck Dmochowski (16 tackles per game), tackle Steve Hulliberger (200 pounds) and fullback Dave Faustman (185).

WILLIAMSTON (7-1)—21 Perry 6; 27 Grass Lake 0; 14 Dansville 0; 26 Leslie 0; 13 Pinckney 0; 21 Fowlerville 30; 20 Stockbridge 13; 13 Springport 6.

RETURNEES—Chuck Dmochowski, LB; Jack Mellon, E; Mike Botsford, G; Ed Reynolds, HB; Steve Studt, QB; Dave Faustman, FB; Bob Booker, HB; Daryl Oldencamp, G; Dan Gulick, E; Paul Enfield, C; Steve Hulliberger, T; Ed Hill; Dennis Fillwork.

SCHEDULE—at Portland S. P.; at Dansville; Perry; Pinckney; at Stockbridge; at Fowlerville; Novi; Leslie; at Haslett.

STOCKBRIDGE

Eighteen lettermen, including backs Bob Vogel and Phil Harris, return to make coach Robert Boyd's 14th year a good bet to be a successful one. Vogel (160 pounds) and Harris (155) tallied four touchdowns each last year, while tackle Bob Trapp (200) and linebacker Fred Singer (145) also are back. The Panthers had only eight seniors on 1967's 6-2 squad.

STOCKBRIDGE (6-2)—19 Chelsea 0; 19 Dexter 14; 13 Fowlerville 13; 26 Dansville 12; 27 Leslie 20; 26 Pinckney 6; 13 Williamston 20; 20 South Lyons 6.

RETURNEES—Randy Meyers, HB; Don Hannewald, FB; Phil Harris, HB; Bob Vogel, HB; Jim Rich, HB; Bruce Barbour, QB; John Messer, G; Mike Lehman, G; Rick Hartsuff, G; Fred Singer, G-LB; Mike Chrisinske, T; Bob Trapp, T; Bill Bailey, T; Paul Tibbitts, T; Tom Stephens, E; Ron Steffey, E; Dan Holloway, E; Frank Duszyenski, E; Dan Wilson, C.

SCHEDULE—Chelsea; at Pinckney; Dansville; at Fowlerville; Williamston; Perry; at Leslie; at South Lyon.

DANSVILLE

Losing only three varsity players from last year's team, Aggies coach John Van Winkle looks for a much improved season. Thirteen lettermen return, including halfback Mickey Ream (155 pounds) and tackle Aaron Wemple (210), to give Dansville an experienced crew.

DANSVILLE (2-5-1)—7 Bath 20; 26 Boys Training School 7; 0 Williamston 13; 14 Stockbridge 27; 0 Fowlerville 26; 7 Leslie 13; 28 Pinckney 0; 13 Olivet 13.

RETURNEES—Dan Lipstraw, E; Bob Wilcox, E; Rod Clickner, E; Aaron Wemple, T; Ron Burgess, T; Mike Wisenberg, T; Chuck Carlen, QB; Mickey Ream, HB; Chuck Smith, FB; Parrell Braman, WB; Mare Traver, WB; Don Ward, FB; Dallas Hackworth, G.

SCHEDULE—Bath; Williamston; at Stockbridge; at Leslie; Grass Lake; Pinckney; Perry; at Fowlerville.

PINCKNEY

Entering his 28th season as head coach of the Pirates, Wesley Reader's 1968 squad can only improve. After posting a disastrous 0-9 season, Reader is looking forward to better things this year with 15 lettermen returning. Reader has a fine 150-87 over-all mark at Pinckney.

PINCKNEY (0-9)—0 Dexter 35; 14 Grosse Pointe 20; 0 Leslie 13; 0 Williamston 13; 6 Fowlerville 34; 6 Stockbridge 26; 0 Dansville 27; 12 Whitmore Lake 26; 0 Ypsilanti Lincoln 34.

RETURNEES—Joe Pine, QB; Nelson Haas, FB; Mal Ludwig, HB; Hal Stockman, HB; Gary Marsh, E; John Towsley, T; Gary Burg, C; Jim Radloff, E; Gary Ruggles, LB; Rick Baumgartner, T; Bill Wylie, G; Terry Reason, G; Mike Read, G; Dave Singer, G; Ken Swarthout, G.

SCHEDULE—at Dexter; Stockbridge; Grosse Pointe; at Willliamston; Leslie; at Dansville; Fowlerville; at Perry; at Ypsilanti Lincoln.

PERRY

Sixteen returning lettermen from the 1967 Rambler squad, which posted a 1-7 mark, gives coach Mike Ivan reason to be optimistic about the upcoming season. Heading the Rambler veterans are guard Jim Henning (180 pounds) and quarterback Mike Stuart (160). Perry joins the Ingham County League in 1968.

PERRY (1-7)—6 Williamston 19; 0 Ovid-Elsie 44; 13 Corunna 19; 6 Ithaca 13; 6 St. Louis 21; 13 Sag. Arthur Hill Tech. 0; 13 Bullock Creek 19; 7 Chesaning 38.

RETURNEES—Jim Henning, G; Max Snyder, G; Dick Travis, T; Gail Hart, T; Rich Elsessar, E; Jim Aldrich, E; Glenn Depew, G; Don Panik, T; Eric Semsproh, C; Mike Stuart, QB; Mike Peterman, HB; Mitch Young, E; Chuck Sezlak, HB; Brian Cole, HB; Gary Brendhal, HB; Rod Burkhart, E.

SCHEDULE—B.C. Harper Creek; Leslie; at Williamston; at Sag. Arthur Hill Tech.; Fowlerville; at Stockbridge; at Dansville; Pinckney.

LESLIE will fight to improve on last season's standing.

INTER-LAKES CONFERENCE

Walled Lake all the way for the tenth straight year.
Best Lineman: tackle Mark Hulet, Stevenson;
Best Back: fullback Dale Danver, Stevenson.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Walled Lake	4	0	0	Waterford	1	2	1
Pontiac Northern	2	2	0	Farmington	0	3	1
Livonia Stevenson	2	2	0				

WALLED LAKE

Walled Lake looks forward to a promising season. Last year the Vikings had an impressive 8-0-1 record to again lead the Inter-Lakes Conference.

The '68 team has quite a history to live up to. Walled Lake has won the conference title for the past nine years. In the past 12 years no team has lost more than two games.

Twenty returning lettermen should help the cause more than enough.

WALLED LAKE (8-0-1)—12 Royal Oak Kimball 0; 20 Berkley 0; 12 Livonia Stevenson 11; 21 Pontiac Northern 20; 32 Flint Carman 2; 19 Farmington 13; 7 Waterford 6; 7 Plymouth 7; 21 Ann Arbor 20.

RETURNEES—Dan Bigham, E; Larry Bigham, C; Gene Brinker, G; John Bubnes, G; Gary Davidson, T; Gary Ferguson, E; Steve Gebala, FB; Greg Goniea, G; Mike Karner, FB; Greg Olsen, T; Larry Siersma, T; Dan Stapula, WB; Rob Swiatek, QB; Jim Thompson, C; Bill Welsh, QB; Greg Wendell, E; Wally Williams, T; Bob Zaebst, HB; John Orosey, HB; Rich Richmond, E.

SCHEDULE—Royal Oak Kimball; Berkley; Waterford; Livonia Stevenson; Pontiac Northern; Southfield Lathrop Farmington; Plymouth; Ann Arbor.

PONTIAC NORTHERN

Despite a 2-2 conference record, Northern was still able to tie for second place in the conference last fall. Sandy Seay is back in the backfield, and he should do a fine job. Two fine linemen back are center George Norberg and guard Ed Welker. Juniors Mario Castillo (230 pounds) and Dave Guy (225) are big and strong and could be stalwarts this fall. Other candidates are Terry Scaieb, Barry Webb, Joe McShan, Bob Boyd, Leon Conley, Bill Haney, Rich Chapa, Jerry Woods, Sterling Woods, Larry Crivea, Keith Marbutt, Paul King, Bob Flowers, Dennis Ludwig, Dave Guy, Greg Adsit, Ken Corr, Warren La Turneau, and Doug Insheo.

LIVONIA STEVENSON

Eight letterwinners return for coach Jack Reardon's Stevenson Spartans this season. Reardon is looking to improve upon last year's 3-5 record. Among those back are Dale Danver, all-league fullback last season, and halfback Eugene Walker, who ran over 475 yards last season. Russ Gregg is back at quarterback, as are ends Nick Exarhos and Ronn Ochala. On the line is Mark Hulet, 190-pound tackle, who will be in his third year of varsity football.

STEVENSON (3-5)—6 Redford Union 14; 19 John Glenn 7; 11 Walled Lake 12; 12 Flint Northwestern 14; 14 Farmington 6; 19 Waterford 27; 20 Pontiac Northern 7; 2 North Farmington 33.

RETURNEES—Jerry Detter, HB; Dale Danver, FB; Eugene Walker, HB; Mark Hulet, T; Ray Daniels, T; Nick Exarhos, K; Ronn Ochala, E; Russ Gregg, QB.

SCHEDULE—Redford Union; John Glenn; Pontiac Northern; Walled Lake; Southfield; Farmington; Waterford; North Farmington.

WATERFORD TOWNSHIP

Coach John Moffat is expecting one of the best seasons in the school's history, with 23 returning lettermen the basis for

his optimism. The Skippers were 3-5-1 last season. Quarterback Brad Potter, who passed for 610 yards and six touchdowns, fullback Steve Goit, who accounted for over 900 yards total offense and scored 13 touchdowns, and quarterback Mike Sheldon, who gained 478 yards last season, should provide a potent offensive punch.

WATERFORD (3-5-1)—40 West Bloomfield 20; 0 Southfield 7; 28 Utica 0; 32 Farmington 32; 0 Pontiac Northern 28; 27 Livonia Stevenson 19; 6 Walled Lake 7; 2 Lapeer 0; 54 Waterford Kettering 6.

RETURNEES—Mike Sheldon, QB; Brad Potter, QB; Niel Blackmer, HB; Larry Hemmerly, FB; Frank Ballard, FB; Larry Whetstone, FB; Bruce Saffron, HB; Dan Groh, FB; Steve Goit, FB; Doug Bell, C; Bruce Carlson, C; Lee Romeo, FB; Jim Main, G; Craig Winger, G; Chuck Bush, G; George Pizza, G; Rich Mason, T; Steve Wylie, T; Eric Alsup, E; Terry Crawford, E; Steve Lohff, E; Bill Foley, E; Martin Marks, E.

SCHEDULE—West Bloomfield; Southfield; Southfield Lathrop; Walled Lake; Farmington; Pontiac Northern; Livonia Stevenson; Bloomfield Lahser; Waterford Kettering.

FARMINGTON

New coach Dick Tyler, an assistant for ten years at Farmington, hopes to get his team out of the cellar in his first year at the helm. He has 13 letterwinners returning. The Falcon's biggest need is an experienced quarterback. A pair of big tackles return in Kim Cramer (210) and Steve Fleming (200).

FARMINGTON (1-7-1)—12 Livonia Bentley 27; 12 Plymouth 6; 6 Pontiac Northern 19; 32 Waterford 32; 6 Livonia Stevenson 14; 13 Walled Lake 19; 0 Mt. Clemens 13; 0 Southfield 16; 0 North Farmington 7.

RETURNEES—Louis Henry, HB; Rick Landacre, FB; Phil Courville, G; Tom Koops, G; Dennis Davis, HB; Larry Gallup, E; Kim Cramer, T; Steve Fleming, T; Steve McGregor, E; Kevin Hildebrant, E; Richard Thomas, G; Derek White, HB; Tom Garrick, E.

SCHEDULE—at Livonia Bentley; Plymouth; at Southfield Lathrop; Pontiac Northern; Waterford; at Livonia Stevenson; Walled Lake; Southfield; at North Farmington.

SOUTHFIELD LATHROP

Lathrop begins varsity play for the first time this season, under coach Darrell Harper, who coached the club as a junior varsity unit last fall.

KALAMAZOO VALLEY ASSOCIATION

Galesburg-Augusta, last year's state champs, are again the best bets to repeat. Battle Creek Springfield is a definite darkhorse threat.

Best Lineman: end Jeff Bauer, Springfield;
Best Back: quarterback Paul Rigozzi, Bangor.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Galesburg-Augusta	6	0	0	Parchment	3	3	0
Springfield	5	1	0	Fennville	1	5	0
Bangor	3	3	0	Mattawan	0	6	0
Delton	3	3	0				

GALESBURG-AUGUSTA

With a state championship to defend, the Rams have their work cut out in '68. Eleven offensive and 9 defensive starters were lost off last year's 9-0 squad. The outlook is improved, though, by the fact that the returning players saw quite a bit of action in last year's runaway games. Players from the undefeated J.V. team will move up to help out. If Bill Maskill can combine this with the excellent pride and tradition, '68 could be another excellent season.

GALESBURG-AUGUSTA (9-0)—45 Comstock 0; 57 Parchment 0; 38 Gull Lake 0; 64 Fennville 0; 25 Springfield 7; 51 Mattawan 0; 40 Bangor 0; 33 Delton 0; 38 St. Philip 0.

RETURNEES—Ron Mazur, HB; Wendell Stoeffler, QB; Norm Knapper, E; Gwen Brady, HB; Ray Coville, G; Jack Osmun, E; Randy Fowler, G; Steve Overcamp, E; Don Kent, T; Joe Groh, FB; Tom Hinson, E; Rodney Webster, T; Gene White, C; Kevin Morgan, T.

SCHEDULE—Comstock; at Fennville; G.R. East Christian; Parchment; at Mattawan; Bangor; at Springfield; Delton; at St. Philip.

BATTLE CREEK SPRINGFIELD

The Rams of veteran coach Dick Stephens figure to be one of the strong small Class B powers in the state in 1968. They logged a 7-1 record in 1967, the best in the school's history. The only loss was to Class C state champion Galesburg-Augusta, 25-7. Springfield was the only team to score on G-A and G-A picked up three of its TD's in the last period. Springfield loses only one player from a backfield that scored 261 points, Mike Newton. Coming back are Rick Abbott, Bob Wolf and quarterback Dennis Christensen, the latter a 6-5 passer. Also coming back is 6-7 end Jeff Bauer and a host of other strong linemen.

BANGOR

Terry Glidden enters his second year as coach at Bangor with 19 letterwinners returning for the 1968 season. In his first season, Glidden led the Vikings to a tie for third place in the association with a 3-3 record and a 4-5 over-all mark. Paul Rigozzi returns at quarterback where he passed for eight touchdowns last year. He has two of his favorite targets back in ends Bob Miller and Ron Grabovac. Bill Stanislawski, who was the team's leading tackler last year with 59, returns as an outside linebacker.

BANGOR (4-5)—6 Otsego 48; 27 Delton 6; 0 Springfield 33; 2 Parchment 12; 13 Mattawan 0; 26 Gull Lake 7; 20 Fennville 6; 24 Paw Paw 39; 0 Galesburg-Augusta 40.

RETURNEES—Bill Stanislawski, LB; Sam DeLeo, HB; Jim Beyer, G; Bob Miller, E; Don Seawood, T; Ray Bomeli, C; Bernard Johnson, HB; Gary Haney, HB; Jeff Godlew, G; Karl Hewitt, T; Tom Sosnowski, LB; Jesse Nelson, HB; Gene Myrkle, FB; David Magget, DB; Rob Zantello, G; Paul Bishop, G; Paul Rigozzi, QB; Ron Grabovac, E; Paul Hay, G.

SCHEDULE—Otsego; at Parchment; Springfield; at Delton; at Gull Lake; at Galesburg-Augusta; Mattawan; Fennville;

PARCHMENT

The outlook at Parchment is very good according to coach Jack Krueger. The key factor will be finding some depth in the line and Krueger feels a fine junior varsity team from last year will supply that. Chief among 15 returning letterwinners are halfback Ted Blackmon and fullback Pete Zager and guards Dave Banner and Tom Skrocki. The Panthers' backs should have better over-all speed to quicken the hearts of association opponents.

PARCHMENT (3-5)—6 Hamilton 18; 0 Galesburg 56; 0 Delton 13; 12 Bangor 2; 6 Gull Lake 24; 28 Fennville 7; 0 Springfield 42; 14 Mattawan 0.

RETURNEES—Ted Blackmon, HB; Dennis Dehaan, T; Pete Zager, FB; Roger Stowe, G; Dave Meyers, QB; Dave Banner, G; Tom Skrocki, G; Mel Clark, T; Bill Smith, E; Steve Gambrel, E; Dick Smith, QB; Paul Chadderdon, HB; Jeff Baker, T; Rick Doxey, E; Larry Fike, QB.

SCHEDULE—Hamilton; Bangor; Delton; at Galesburg; at Fennville; Springfield; at Mattawan; Gull Lake.

FENNVILLE

With 19 lettermen back from last year's squad, coach Gus Charles feels '68 will be better than '67. If the Blackhawks are able to boost the roster with additional players, (last year they had only 21) it truly could be a fine season.

FENNVILLE (1-6-1)—0 Hopkins 0; 7 B.C. Springfield 33; 6 Mattawan 2; 0 Galesburg-Aug. 64; 0 Delton 12; 7 Parchment 32; 0 Hamilton 33; 6 Bangor 20.

RETURNEES—Tom Wolters, E; John Mueller, E; Harvey Thompson, E; Mike Monique, T; Bob Leslie, T; Ross Aquilar, G; John Blink, G; Dave Bolis, G; Walt Modrak, C; Terry Clark, QB; Terry Higgins, QB; Tom Grigg, HB; Joe Marfia, HB; Lupe Posada, HB; Gary McCracken, FB; Larry Ensfield, FB; Dwight Brooks, DT; Dennis Emborsky, T; Gary Thomann, LB.

SCHEDULE—Hopkins; Bangor; B.C. Springfield; Mattawan; Galesburg-Augusta; Delton; Parchment; Gobles.

MATTAWAN

Once again, a lack of depth is an overwhelming problem for the Wildcats, 0-8 in '67. Coach Bob Barrett has 13 lettermen back, including standouts Ken Farrow at tackle, and Rick Dowling and Rick Potgiesser at halfback. Prospects are bleak again.

MATTAWAN (0-8)—0 Paw Paw 27; 6 Climax-Scotts 12; 2 Fennville 6; 6 Springfield 41; 0 Bangor 13; 0 Galesburg-Augusta 51; 6 Delton 13; 0 Parchment 14.

RETURNEES—George Boomers, E; Harold Curtis, LB; Dave Derhammer, C; Ken Farrow, T; Howard Haley, G; Harry Nutter, E; Rick Potgiesser, HB; Gary Bingham, FB; Rick Dowling, HB; Bill Egger, QB; Brad Overacker, HB; Walter Gale, T; Doug Baumgartner, G.

SCHEDULE—Paw Paw; at Springfield; Fennville; at Gobles; Galesburg-Augusta; at Delton; at Bangor; Parchment.

DELTON KELLOGG, a middle-of-the-pack team last fall, will struggle for improvement in '68.

LAKE MICHIGAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Traverse City should falter, leaving either Muskegon or Benton Harbor as the best bets.

Best Lineman: tackle Vic Cole, Traverse City;
Best Back: quarterback Dave Butkovich, Kalamazoo Hackett.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Traverse City	4	0	0	Benton Harbor	1	2	0
Muskegon	3	1	0	Kalamazoo Hackett	1	2	0
				Muskegon Catholic	0	4	0

TRAVERSE CITY

Coach Jim Ooley, who isn't used to losing—his 15-year record with the Trojans is 87-26-4—may be familiar with it before the year is over. Only tackle Vic Cole (225) and guard Bernie Lautner (220) return from last year's offensive team, so the Trojans have to rely on what appears to be a solid defense, especially through the air. Halfback Steve Wehr

and kicker John Wuerfel, who kicked 16 of 17 extra point attempts and punted for a 38-yard average, will add to the offense, but it won't be as strong as last year's 6-1-2 powerhouse.
TRAVERSE CITY (6-1-2)—28 Sault St. Marie 6; 0 Alpena 6; 21 Muskegon 14; 13 G. R. Ottawa Hills 13; 28 Muskegon CC 13; 27 G. R. Central 20; 28 Kalamazoo Hackett 7; 14 Benton Harbor 13; 0 G. R. Catholic Central 0.
RETURNEES—Walt Babcock, QB; Steve Batdorf, HB; Victor Cole, T; Gary Klingelsmith, HB; Bernie Lautner, T; Gary Riggs, T; Ty Thompson, G; Steve Wehr, HB; John Wuerfal, K; Doug Denison, HB.

BENTON HARBOR

Entering his ninth year as head coach for the Tigers, Al Ratcliff has 15 returning lettermen to give him a good shot at bettering his 1967 team's 4-4-1 slate. Returning are key backfield performers Louis Cooks (180 pounds), Bill Coleman (180), Dave Machemer (150) and Richard Jones (175), and 6-3 center Kurt Kretchman (200).
BENTON HARBOR (4-4-1)—0 Battle Creek Central 28; 12 Grand Haven 7; 0 Holland 0; 7 Muskegon 14; 0 Kalamazoo Central 20; 12 Niles 0; 6 Muskegon Catholic 0; 13 Traverse City 14; 19 Grand Rapids Union 14.
RETURNEES—Dave Machemer, QB; Bob Hynd, G; Richard Jones, TB; Louis Cook, FB; Marion Carrouthers, HB; Kurt Kretchman, C; Tim Tallis, G; Bill Anderson, T; Ron Merritt, T; John Baker, E; Curve Burton, E; Tom Flener, E; Rick Bell, E; Billy Coleman, TB; Dave Rauhuff, G.
SCHEDULE—B. C. Central; at Grand Haven; Kalamazoo Hackett; at Muskegon; Kalamazoo Central; at Niles; Muskegon Catholic; at Traverse City; G. R. Union.

KALAMAZOO HACKETT

Hackett continues to build toward its Class A competition and Dick Soisson counts on an excellent nucleus of lettermen backs to improve on last year's 3-6 mark. Quarterback Dave Butkovich riddled conference opponents for more than 1000 yards total offense a year ago. Skip Schultz at split end is the key receiver and doubles as the extra point kicker. Defensive halfback Jim Ferrara, who picked off five passes as a junior, also returns for the Irish.
KALAMAZOO HACKETT (3-6)—7 Vicksburg 10; 0 Kalamazoo Central 14; 13 Corunna 0; 0 Lansing Waverly 26; 6 Muskegon 16; 21 Dowagiac 18; 7 Traverse City 28; 7 Portage Central 13; 7 Muskegon Catholic 0.
RETURNEES—Mike Bannigan, G; Dirk Bundle, QB-K; Dave Butkovich, QB; John Dixison, HB; Jim Ferrara, DHB; Brian Henley, LB; Doug Jarrett, HB; Ron Kozminske, HB; Mack Long, E; Skip Schultz, E; Pat Delehanty, E.
SCHEDULE—Vicksburg; at Central; at Benton Harbor; at E. Grand Rapids; Muskegon; G. R. East Christian; Traverse City; Portage Central; Muskegon Catholic.

MUSKEGON CATHOLIC CENTRAL

Coach Waldo Keating forsakes 13 years as an assistant to take his first head coaching job at Muskegon Catholic Central and the headaches that go with it. Keating feels he has a good nucleus to build on and is only worried about his boys' possible ecumenical spirit. Quarterback Jeff Bourdon, fullback Mike Horan, linebacker Rick Bourdon and 192-pound tackle Ron Aerts carry much of the burden for success for the Crusaders.
MUSKEGON CC (2-6-1)—0 Grand Rapids CC 26; 13 Orchard View 6; 19 G. R. Union 13; 13 Mona Shores 13; 14 Traverse City 28; 19 Muskegon 39; 0 Benton Harbor 6; 7 G. R. West Catholic 14; 0 Kalamazoo Hackett 0.
RETURNEES—Jeff Bourdon, QB; Rick Bourdon, LB; Pat Carlson, G; Joe Connell, T; Paul Garzelloni, G; Bob Gorman, C; Mike Horan, FB; Elijah Winston, FB; Ron Aerts, T.
SCHEDULE—at Grand Rapids CC; Orchard View; G. R. Union; at Mona Shores; Traverse City; at Muskegon; at Benton Harbor; G. R. West Catholic; Kalamazoo Hackett.

MUSKEGON is a distinct possibility to win the title away from Traverse City and completes the league list.

LAKELAND C CONFERENCE

Clinton is the top threat, while Whitmore Lake is a distant darkhorse.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Clinton	6	0	0	Novi	2	4	0
Manchester	4	1	1	Roosevelt	1	5	0
Columbia Central	4	2	0	Grass Lake	0	5	1
Whitmore Lake	3	3	0				

WHITMORE LAKE

Coach Robert Ellis has 13 returning lettermen. The Trojans are led by guard Dave Wint. They lack experience at one guard and quarterback.
WHITMORE LAKE (4-3-1)—13 Clarenceville 13; 34 Novi 7; 6 Clinton 26; 6 Columbia Central 12; 19 Grass Lake 0; 0 Manchester 26; 26 Ypsilanti Roosevelt 13; 26 Pinckney 12.
RETURNEES—Bill Blythe, HB; Bill Parrish, HB; Dick Grimston, HB; Mark Pettigrew, HB; Rick Millen, FB; Mitch Caskey, C; Stan Rasmussen, C; Dave Wint, G; Ken Malcolm, T; Bill Christie, T; Jeff White, T; Ted Ceasar, E; Gary Winters, E.
SCHEDULE—at Clarenceville; at Byron; at Ortonville; at Goodrich; at Genesee; at Hartland; at Lake Fenton; at Linden.

NOVI

Novi was only 2-4-2 a year ago, but the season wasn't bad considering it was Novi's first in varsity play. The backfield looks to be in good shape, with Jon Van Wagner back, along with quarterback Gary Boyer. Pat Haley is a fine lineman.

YPSILANTI ROOSEVELT

Graduation depleted Roosevelt for the '68 grid campaign. Coach R. J. Saunders banks on returning starting quarterback Bart Packard and Doug Wolfe, who also saw action a year ago, to lead the Rough Riders. Roosevelt has seven other lettermen returning, with hopes for improvement on last year's 1-7 mark. Only John Dusbiber, Craig Lounsbury and Dan Prevost are back in the line, however.
ROOSEVELT (1-7)—0 Milan 14; 7 Clinton 40; 0 Columbia C. 12; 14 Grass Lake 0; 0 Gibralter-Carlson 21; 0 Manchester 25; 13 Whitmore Lake 26; 13 Novi 19.
RETURNEES—John Dusbiber, E; Dan Prevost, C; Dick Denny, HB; Craig Lounsbury, E; Jim Maggio, HB; Barry Johnson, HB; Doug Wolfe, QB; Bart Packard, QB; Mike O'Leary, HB.

CLINTON, last year's league champ, is again a top threat to win the title and will have to withstand stern challenges from at least three other teams.

LAND 'O' LAKES CONFERENCE

Crystal Falls is a top prospect, with Gwinn a solid darkhorse.

Best Lineman: end Brian Hicks, Marquette Bishop Baraga;
Best Back: fullback Gary Hansen, Gwinn.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Crystal Falls	4	0	0	Stephenson	1	3	0
Norway	3	1	0	Bishop Baraga	0	4	0
Gwinn	2	2	0				

CRYSTAL FALLS

The Trojans may have a tough time duplicating last season's record. Coach Ralph Mettlach has only eight lettermen returning, including only four linemen. The backfield, quarterbacked by Dwayne Anderson, should be the team's strong point. Ken Thoreson (200) is an experienced tackle. There are no veteran guards and only one tackle.
CRYSTAL FALLS (7-1)—31 Houghton 13; 44 Gwinn 0; 21 Stephenson 0; 7 Hancock 20; 27 L'Anse 0; 42 Ontonagon 0; 20 Norway 19; 20 Calumet 12.
RETURNEES—Dwayne Anderson, QB; Tom Curtiss, E; Marco Hecimovich, HB; Charles Karwack, HB; Robert Surface, C; Ken Thoreson, T; Ron Waldo, E; Mike Webb, HB.
SCHEDULE—at Houghton; at Gwinn; Stephenson; Hancock; L'Anse; at Ontonagon; at Norway; Calumet.

NORWAY

Determination and not experience will be the key word for the '68 Knights football team. Fourteen lettermen return, but the experienced backfield is gone. Coach Gene Molchiori is counting heavily on the development of young backs, and also on the leadership of captain David Vielmetti.
NORWAY (4-5)—47 Bishop Baraga 7; 6 Stambaugh 7; 0 Kingsford 33; 13 Iron Mountain 47; 32 Gwinn 19; 14 Wakefield 22; 19 Crystal Falls 20; 38 Iron River 19; 20 Stephenson 6.
RETURNEES—Joe Lovato, HB; Dave Chartier, HB; Ray Bray, QB; Glen Pearson, HB; Steve Rapaich, F; Charles Brumbaugh, C; Wally Zychowski, G; Marvin Hansen, T; Peter Hayes, T; Craig Huntley, T; Anthony Schaffer, E; Dale Laesch, G; David Vielmetti, G.
SCHEDULE—Hancock; at Niagara; Kingsford; at Gwinn; at Iron Mountain; Wakefield; Crystal Falls; at Stephenson.

GWINN

With nineteen lettermen returning, prospects are good for Gwinn in 1968.

The Model-Towners won only three games last season, but closed with two straight wins. Last season only three men returned with letters from the 1966 season.

The men to watch for coach George McCormick's charges are fullback Gary Hansen and halfback Terry Froberg.
GWINN (3-5)—0 Gladstone 20; 0 Crystal Falls 41; 13 L'Anse 9; 19 Norway 32; 14 Stephenson 27; 0 Negaunee 60; 20 Calumet 15; 28 Bishop Baraga 12.
RETURNEES—Arlan Baker, T; Dick Brown, FB; Dick Brown, E; Guy Chaput, G; John Eisenhardt, QB; Terry Froberg, HB; Kelly Hayes, C; Bill Haughey, T; Bill Jaeger, E; Randy Larson, T; Terry Mattord, G; Bob McCarthy, T; Dick Owens, HB; Bob St. Aubin, FB; Val Suardinin, HB; Ron Storti, HB; Gord Steen, G; Greg Thorson, FB; Gary Hansen, FB.
SCHEDULE—at Gladstone; Crystal Falls; at L'Anse; Norway; Stephenson; Negaunee; at Calumet.

STEPHENSON

The Eagles will build around quarterback Dennis Alexjun, a 6-1, two-year veteran. Replacements are needed in the backfield, especially for Mark Dougovito, the leading ball-carrier of 1967.

STEPHENSON (2-5-1)—6 Marinette, Wis., Catholic Central 25; 0 Crystal Falls 21; 37 Marquette Baraga 7; 27 Gwinn 14; 0 Kingsford 20; 0 Iron Mountain 35; 13 L'Anse 13; 6 Norway 20.

MARQUETTE BISHOP BARAGA

Two thirds of last year's team returns, boosting hopes of improving on a winless 1967 season. Senior Brian Hicks, an All-U. P. Class C-D selection at end, heads a veteran line which will include tackles Bob Belmore and Tony Thill. Others expected to see action are Gary Miron, Bruce Wood, Pat Gingrass, Tim Hogan, Greg Holman, Bob Leanes and Dan Ward.

MARQUETTE BISHOP BARAGA (0-8-0)—6 Norway 47; 12 Niagara, Wis. 33; 0 Esc. Holy Name 40; 7 Stephenson 37; 13 Houghton 26; 7 L'Anse 32; 6 Lake Linden 35; 12 Gwinn 28.

LENAWEE COUNTY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Hudson seems to be the best bet, with Adrian Catholic Central fighting to overtake the league champs.

Best Lineman: tackle Dave Keller, Morenci;

Best Back: fullback Ray Lee, Addison.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Hudson	6	0	0	Madison	2	4	0
Adrian C. C.	5	1	0	Addison	1	4	1
Jackson St. Mary	4	2	0	Morenci	0	5	1
Onsted	2	4	0				

ADRIAN CATHOLIC CENTRAL

The search at Adrian Catholic Central in early practice for the 1968 season is for a quarterback. While the Fighting Irish return 12 lettermen, depth is another factor in addition to finding a team leader. Don Dziachan, a halfback and linebacker, averaged 12 tackles a game as a junior, and two-way end Chuck Smith caught 11 passes for 195 yards and four touchdowns last year.

ADRIAN C. C. (8-1)—20 Clinton 13; 24 Jackson St. Mary 0; 34 Onsted 9; 41 Madison 0; 54 Payne (O.) 0; 56 Morenci 13; 26 Hudson 34; 34 Addison 0; 25 Sand Creek 7.

RETURNEES—Joe Kinney, B; Denny Malinowski, B; Don Dziachan, B; John Brielmaier, B; Dave Williams, B; Mike Beaubien, C; Dan Smith, G; Gene Caterino, T; Dave Miller, T; Tom Hartley, E; Chuck Smith, E; Fred Wilkins, E.

SCHEDULE—Whiteford; Onsted; at Morenci; at Manchester; at Hudson; at Madison; Clinton; Addison; at Deerfield.

ONSTED

After winning the LCAA title in 1966, the Wildcats fell to a 3-5 record in 1967, but coach Chuck Redding looked at it as a rebuilding year. This season he welcomes back 12 lettermen.

Outstanding among the group are halfbacks Larry Howard and Ed Willis and linemen Steve Cattell and Joe Bryan.

MADISON

Madison, in only its third year of varsity football, is not expected to be strong this season, losing nine senior starters from a team that was 3-5 last season, the best ever at Madison.

However, coach Jim Vanzo does have several juniors returning, Helio Rincon, Bernie Willer, Steve Young and Gary West, to build the 1968 team from.

ADDISON

Eight defensive and seven offensive starters return for coach Lee Smeltzer's Panthers. They are optimistic about improving on last fall's sixth place finish. Ray Lee will lead the running attack at fullback, where he gained 540 yards last fall, scored 61 points, and caught seven passes for 82 more yards. Defensive halfback Chuck Redding had 63 solo tackles and four interceptions last fall. Dave Koch (190) had 47 at tackle. Two other big tackles are Bob Case (201) and John Briggs (205).

ADDISON (3-5-1)—0 Quincy 32; 6 Madison 13; 6 Morenci 6; 45 Deerfield 6; 13 Jackson St. Mary's 27; 0 Hudson 32; 14 Pittsford 13; 0 Adrian Catholic Central 33; 20 Onsted 19.

RETURNEES—Jim Wetherell, LB; Jack Hassenzahl, G; Mark Shaw, C; Dave Koch, T; Brad Hammon, T; Bob Case, T; Richard Johnson, T; John Briggs, T; Mike Rozelle, E; Greg Hanlin, E; Dennis Pickford, E; Chuck Redding, HB; George Clark, HB; Steve Prange, QB; Ray Lee, FB; Phil Shaw, FB.

SCHEDULE—Quincy; Manchester; Hudson; Adrian Madison; Clinton; Morenci; Pittsford; Adrian Catholic Central; Onsted.

MORENCI

Morenci, once a team that put together 48 straight games without a defeat, has fallen on lean years recently. The Bulldogs struggled through a 2-6-1 season in 1967.

Heading the list of returning lettermen are quarterback Jack Valentine and linemen Dave Keller, an all-league choice as a sophomore, Larry Place, Ken Richardson and Larry Shoemaker.

CLINTON

With only ten lettermen returning, much of the hopes for the Redskins will lie in the hands of last year's JV's. Coach Mike Snyder will miss all-stater Butch Hoelze and two of his honorable mention teammates, but will have standouts Paul Papsdorf and Dennis Kime to fill their shoes.

The Redskins will be hard-pressed to continue their 12-game league winning streak.

CLINTON (7-2)—13 Adrian C. C. 20; 40 Ypsilanti Roosevelt 0; 27 Whitmore Lake 7; 52 Novi 7; 56 Summerfield 0; 14 Columbia Central 17; 26 Grass Lake 0; 8 Manchester 0; 18 Saline 28.

RETURNEES—Dennis Kime, G-T; Terry Schuler, QB; Ron Rynd, E; Ron Hintz, E; Paul Papsdorf, E; Tom Moore, FB; Doug Sparks, G; Vince Peters, T; Dave Bristle, G; Dwight McKenna, HB; Jerry Porter, B.

SCHEDULE—at Parma Western; Hudson; Madison; at Morenci; Addison; at Onsted; at Adrian C. C.; Manchester; Saline.

MANCHESTER

Though Manchester moves into a tougher league this fall, it could challenge for the conference championship if a few linemen come through. Coach John Korican, who compiled a 6-1-1 mark in his first year last season, will depend on his stout defense to keep the Flying Dutchmen in the air. Its first string defense gave up only a single touchdown last year and it will be almost as strong this time. All-State honorable mention end Bob Pratt will lead the offense and will be receiving most of his passes from quarterback Rich Lowery. Defensive end Stan Parr (210), the team's most valuable player and linebackers Rod Hoeft, Jeff Stevens and Jim Tindall are also back, so the Dutchmen will be pretty stingy again.

MANCHESTER (6-1-1)—18 Morenci 0; 7 Columbia 6; 0 Grass Lake 0; 34 Onsted 6; 25 Ypsilanti Roosevelt 0; 26 Whitmore 0; 14 Novi 0; 0 Clinton 8.

RETURNEES—Pete Haeussler, DE; Steve Hamilton, G; Don Heiber, G; Rod Hoeft, G; Lyle Jacobs, HB; Mike Krzyzaniak, HB; Rich Lowery, QB; Stan Parr, DE; Bob Pratt, DE; Irv Roberts, LB; Jeff Stevens, LB; Jim Tindall, LB.

SCHEDULE—Ypsilanti Roosevelt; at Addison; at Onsted; Adrian C. C.; Morenci; at Hudson; Madison; at Clinton.

HUDSON was the league champion last fall and again is a serious challenger to take all the marbles this time around.

LITTLE C CONFERENCE

Quincy should be the best, but Homer could pose a serious threat, while Jonesville struggles to stay near the top.

Best Lineman: linebacker Dan Wilkinson, Quincy;

Best Back: halfback Gary Younce, Bronson.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Quincy	6	0	1	Reading	2	4	1
Jonesville	6	1	0	Union City	2	5	0
Bronson	5	2	0	Athens	1	4	2
Homer	4	3	0	Litchfield	0	7	0

QUINCY

Coming off a 7-0-1 year, Oriole coach Dan Ludlow is counting on young linemen to go along with nine returning lettermen to make the season a success. Riding a 13-game unbeaten string, Ludlow has halfbacks Larry Reichhart (170 pounds) and Jim Hutchins (160), defensive back Dan Wilkinson and tackle-end Wayne Victor back. Reichhart toted the ball in '67 for 481 yards, while Hutchins made 380. Wilkinson registered 56 solo tackles.

QUINCY (7-0-1)—33 Addison 0; 34 Union City 13; 13 Jonesville 6; 33 Litchfield 13; 6 Athens 6; 3 Bronson 0; 14 Homer 7; 20 Reading 0.

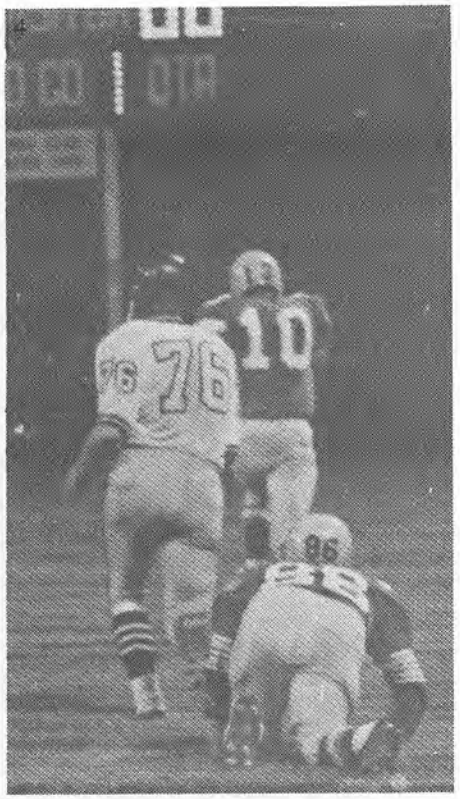
RETURNEES—Larry Reichhart, HB; Jim Hutchins, HB; Chuck Cook, FB; Ron Huggett, QB; Dan Wilkinson, LB; Bill Bradley, E; Wayne Victor, T-E; Bill Keith, T; Warren Brown, T.

SCHEDULE—Addison; Jonesville; at Litchfield; Athens; at Bronson; at Homer; Reading; at Union City.

JONESVILLE

The Comets have 14 lettermen returning, but chances of improving on last year's excellent 7-2 record are dim unless coach Jay Knierim can find some backfield help. He has a solid line, headed by 225-pound end Earl Rockey and 210-pound tackle Greg Trombley and, with a little linebacking help, can field a stout defense. But the Comets won't be nearly as explosive as they were last year when they rang up 206 points in nine games.

JONESVILLE—34 Pittsford 0; 9 Bronson 0; 6 Quincy 13; 9 Union City 6; 20 Reading 8; 26 Homer 13; 52 Litchfield 0; 31 Athens 0; 19 Vandercook Lake 27.



1) *Kingsford's Wayne Makela returns a kick in action last fall. Makela is one of* 23 *graduated players Kingsford must replace.*
2-3) *Temperance Bedford standouts Roger Brown and Blaine Geer.*
4) *Gary Boyer of Novi is headed for a* 65*-yard touchdown here, one of three* 60*-yard plus TD's he had.*
5) *Snowy conditions prevail during the late stages of the season in many parts of Michigan. Here Traverse City St. Francis players try to move the ball against the elements as well as their opponents.*
6) *Pontiac Northern's Dana Coin* (20) *knocks the ball out of John Stewart's grasp but Mt. Clemens recovered its fumble. Mt. Clemens won this non-leaguer,* 20-14. *Photo Courtesy Macomb Daily.*
7) *Robert Boyd, head coach at Stockbridge.*
8) *Jack Hepinstall, Blissfield Coach*
9) *Airport coach Lloyd D. Lamphere*
10) *Coach Ron Spagnoli, Adrian Catholic Central, has compiled a* 50-9-1 *record. Adrian Telegram Photo.*
11) *Jerry Cvengros, head coach at Escanaba.*
12) *Upper Peninsula Coach of the Year Jerry Galagher of St. Ignace has compiled a* 16-2 *record in two seasons.*
13) *Kingsford coach Rex Terwilliger is "all wrapped up" in the action when his Flivvers are playing.*
14) *Norway's great Dave Solda, shown here against Stephenson, is gone by graduation.*
15) *Traverse City St. Francis coach Mike Kanitz confers with a player on a typical game night.*
16) *Denny Keith, Birch Run*
17) *Tim Periard, Birch Run*
18) *Head Coach Bob Powell, Gaylord.*

RETURNEES—Ken Boyle, G; Gary Null, G; Dan Mastra, C; Dwight Hergert, T; Dave Sager, G; Steve Smith, E; Greg Trombley, T; John Prosser, T; Larry Teubert, E; Earl Rockey, E; Steve Wendry, WB; Steve Bancroft, FB; Tim Sheets, HB; Dennis McCormick, HB.

BRONSON

With 14 lettermen returning, the outlook for the Vikings in '68 is optimistic. Coach Keith Tracy is counting on three-year letterman Bob Redmond and Gary Younce, his most valuable back, to help him to another fine season. The Vikings were 5-2 in the conference, and 6-2 over-all.

BRONSON (6-2)—6 Coldwater 0; 0 Jonesville 9; 18 Union City 0; 24 Reading 6; 19 Homer 13; 0 Quincy 3; 15 Athens 6; 20 Litchfield 0.

RETURNEES—Jim RansBottom, E; Bill McCoy, E; Larry Hoard, E; Frank Belote, T; Bill Cunningham, T; Lee Huff, G; Mike Cossart, G; Steve Cary, G; John Kibikoski, C; Dale Norton, QB; Gary Younce, HB; Bob Redmond, HB; Art Johnson, HB; Joe Bystry, E.

SCHEDULE—at Coldwater; at Union City; Reading; at Homer; Quincy; Athens; Litchfield; at Jonesville.

HOMER

Homer lost 25 seniors from last year's 5-4 squad, so coach Larry Dunn has several positions to fill. Some help is expected from the junior varsity team that went unbeaten in league competition last year. A sprinkling of lettermen back should blend into a solid unit, strong enough to challenge for the conference title.

HOMER (5-4)—7 Bellevue 13; 33 Reading 7; 56 Litchfield 6; 27 Athens 13; 13 Bronson 19; 14 Jonesville 27; 7 Quincy 14; 33 Union City 6; 21 Concord 12.

RETURNEES—John Weiss, C; Chuck Ambler, HB; Earl Clay, E; Claude Cooper, E; Dick Arnold, HB; Leo VanValkenburg, FB; Mike Brinke, T; Harold Anderson, C; John Bartley, G; Kent Sackett, HB; Jim Baumgarner, G.

SCHEDULE—at Bellevue; Litchfield; at Athens; Bronson; at Jonesville; Quincy; at Union City; Reading; Concord.

READING

Led by 215-pound defensive end Roger Kindinger and halfback Ken Burger (160 pounds), coach Gerry Brindel hopes to improve on his first season's 2-4-2 slate. Fourteen returning lettermen head the Rangers hopes, including big Dave Watson (230).

READING (2-4-2)—7 Camden 7; 7 Homer 36; 0 Athens 0; 6 Bronson 26; 8 Jonesville 20; 18 Litchfield 6; 19 Union City 7; 0 Quincy 21.

RETURNEES—Dave Watson, T; John Forrester, T; Dave Leader, G; Neil VanFleet, G; Tom George, G; Roger Kindinger, E; Francis Barnhart, E; Tom Keegon, HB; Ralph Burger, HB; Ken Burger, HB; Mick Rubley, HB; Steve Smith, C; Steve Noland, HB; Don Deventer, HB.

SCHEDULE—Homer; Athens; Bronson; Jonesville; Litchfield; Union City; Quincy.

UNION CITY

The Maroons have to overcome inexperdience, but coach Fred Pessell is looking for improvement over last year's 2-6 record. Union City has 11 returning lettermen and as many as seven members of last year's junior varsity team may be starters. Sophomores who will definitely start, and should bolster the Maroon attack, are halfback Alan Pepper, quarterback Toby Lepper, center Jeff Burdick and end Cliff Heisler.

UNION CITY (2-6)—0 Colon 12; 12 Quincy 34; 0 Bronson 18; 6 Jonesville 9; 20 Litchfield 12; 7 Athens 6; 7 Reading 20; 14 Homer 34.

RETURNEES—Tim Kerer, QB; Lee Tundevold, QB; Garth Kincaid, HB; Bob Claar, FB; Tom Hitchcock, HB; Dennis Spooner, E; Dan Hicks, E; Ron Peck, T; Ed Steamly, T; Maynard Wood, G; Randy Matheson, C; Bill Morrill, T; Ron Hoover, T.

SCHEDULE—Colon; Bronson; Jonesville; Litchfield; Athens; Reading; Homer; Quincy.

ATHENS

The Indians fell to a 1-4-2 league mark last fall, but should improve in 1968. Heading the returnees is lineman Ron Lane, who made all-conferense despite being a junior. Athens will be strong at tackles with Dan McClure (210 pounds) and Chuck Merwin (205 pounds).

LITCHFIELD

Litchfield should begin an upswing this season for coach Marv Smith. The Terriers' hopes for improving last season's 0-8 record are pinned on 13 returning lettermen.

Topping the list of returning starters is senior Bob Harrington. He was last year's leading scorer with three touchdowns and also the leading ground gainer.

LITCHFIELD (0-8)—0 North Adams 33; 0 Athens 13; 6 Homer 56; 13 Quincy 33; 14 Union City 20; 7 Reading 18; 0 Jonesville 52; 0 Bronson 20.

SCHEDULE—at North Adams; at Homer; Quincy; at Union City; Reading; Jonesville; at Bronson; Athens.

MICHIGAN-WISCONSIN LEAGUE

Bessemer and Ironwood are the top prospects, but Superior Catholic of Wisconsin could surprise. Hurley, Ashland and Northwestern are also Wisconsin schools.

Best Lineman: end Brian Ciesielczyak, Bessemer;
Best Back: quarterback Jeff Betlowski, Bessemer.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Bessemer	4	2	0	Ashland	3	3	0
Ironwood	4	2	0	Wakefield	2	3	0
Superior Catholic	4	2	0	Northwestern	0	5	0
Hurley	3	3	0				

BESSEMER

The Speed Boys are very optimistic for 1968. Coach Jack White has only seven returning lettermen, but they played key roles in last season's 6-3 season.

The biggest returning name is Brian Ciesielczyak who received 19 passes for five touchdowns last season.

BESSEMER (6-3)—33 Calumet 6; 45 Northwestern 6; 26 Wakefield 13; 19 Iron River 12; 0 Stambaugh 12; 12 Ironwood 6; 19 Superior Catholic 20; 27 Hurley 0.

RETURNEES—Jeff Betlowski, QB; Brian Kapugia, HB; Pierce Graham, C; Gary Erickson, T; Paul Malmberg, T; Brian Ciesielczyak, E; Ed Rosiek, HB.

SCHEDULE—at Calumet; at Northwestern; West Iron County; at Hurley; Ironwood; Ashland; Superior Catholic.

WAKEFIELD

A replacement for Mike Smolcich, the Upper Peninsula's 1967 Lineman-of-the-Year is the Cadinals' top need. Seven juniors may help fill his 215-pound gap, including Pete Delica, Joe Gembois, Andy Hill, Andy Hongisto, Craig Honkala, Bruce Rukkila and Rudy Saarela.

WAKEFIELD (5-3-0)—0 Ironwood 12; 25 Houghton 6; 13 Bessemer 28; 27 Ashland, Wis. 7; 20 Superior, Wis., Catholic 14; 22 Norway 14; 22 Iron River 21; 0 Hurley, Wis. 20.

IRONWOOD is a distinct possibility to win the league championship given the right amount of breaks.

MID-MICHIGAN B LEAGUE

Chesaning again is the best bet, but Corunna has enough proven stars to make things tough and could just as easily win it all. Ovid-Elsie is a darkhorse.

Best Lineman: end Bob Tissot, Corunna;
Best Back: halfback Joe Kincaid, Corunna.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Chesaning	6	0	0	St. Louis	2	4	0
Ovid-Elsie	5	1	0	Bullock Creek	1	4	1
Corunna	4	2	0	Perry	0	6	0
Ithaca	2	3	1				

CHESANING

After rolling to a perfect 9-0 slate in 1967, it will take a concerted effort by coach Duane Ferry's Indians to approach that this year—although Ferry says, "We could be tough." Six returning starters bolster Chesaning's chances, including Steve Devereaux (180 pounder), who kicked field goals of 37 and 38 yards in one game last season, and quarterback Paul Danek (150). Danek also plays defensive halfback, and had four interceptions in one game.

CHESANING (9-0)—19 Durand 0; 31 St. Louis 0; 12 Ovid-Elsie 0; 45 Ithaca 6; 39 Corunna 6; 38 Perry 7; 52 Pinconning 6; 51 Bullock Creek 0; 71 St. Charles 0.

RETURNEES—Dennis Tithof, DH-HB; Tom Tithof, DE-G; Jerry Bates, E; Paul Danek, DH-QB; Stew Devereaux, LB-E; Randy Brevis, DT-HB.

SCHEDULE—Durand; Montrose; St. Louis; Corunna; Ithaca; Ovid-Elsie; Bullock Creek; MacArthur; St. Charles.

OVID-ELSIE

Losing 17 seniors from last year's fine 6-3 team, coach Mark O'Donnell's Marauders will be smaller but faster. In his 17th year of coaching (95-38-4), O'Donnell has only 11 veterans returning.

OVID-ELSIE (6-3)—7 Portland 12; 47 St. Louis 0; 0 Chesaning 13; 59 Bullock Creek 0; 25 Corunna 6; 44 Perry 0; 7 Birch Run 0; 7 St. Johns 14; 30 Ithaca 20.

RETURNEES—Jerry Weir, C; Ken Coon, G; Jerry Guyski, T; Dave Debois, E; Dennis Barrett, B; Daryl Melvin, B; Kurt Grinnel, B; Jerry Winans, G; Dennis Bolton, E; Lester Reed, QB; Gregg Finch, T.

SCHEDULE—at Portland; Saginaw Arthur Hill Tech.; Ithaca; at Bullock Creek; at Corunna; Chesaning; at St. Louis; at Olivet; St. Johns.

CORUNNA

Boasting a fine 33-11-1 record over his five years as head coach of the Cavaliers, Nicholas Annese has his entire starting backfield returning, but lacks experienced linemen and over-all depth. Speedy Joe Kincaid, who amassed 815 yards in 150 carries last season for a 5.4 average, is back, as is outstanding end Bob Tissot. Tissot had 32 catches for 380 yards in 1967.

CORUNNA (5-3-1)—23 Swartz Creek 6; 19 Perry 13; 0 Kalamazoo Hackett 13; 32 Bullock Creek 13; 6 Chesaning 39; 6 Ovid-Elsie 26; 34 Ithaca 7; 19 St. Louis 7; 6 Durand 6.
RETURNEES—Joe Kincaid, B; Tony Hornus, QB; Doug Inman, B; Greg McMillan, B; Mike Termeer, E; Bob Tissot, E; Ken Sterba, T; Tom McCartney, G; Bill Brown, G; Dave Bowyer, C; Brian Louch, B; Kyle Jacobs, E; Louis Jamnick, G; Jay Inman, T; Mark Dennis, T; Dick Sack, B; Dennis Porter, G; Ed Mowinski, B; Richard Novak, B.
SCHEDULE—at Swartz Creek; Dexter; at Bullock Creek; at Chesaning; Ovid-Elsie; St. Louis; at Ithaca; Buena Vista; at Durand.

ITHACA

Good size and 16 returning gridders from last season's 2-5-1 team make coach Ted Martin's future look bright, but the lack of speed might take its toll. Leading the Yellowjacket defensive returnees are Randy Doty (178 pounds), Bob Cook (187) and Les Hunt (150), while Larry Brown (182) and Jim Simcox (165) are veteran offensive men back.
ITHACA (2-5-1)—24 Saginaw P & P 31; 0 Clare 3; 13 Bullock Creek 13; 13 Chesaning 44; 21 Ovid-Elsie 24; 47 St. Louis 6; 7 Corunna 25; 20 Perry 6.
RETURNEES—Randy Doty, G-LB; Bob Cook, G-LB; Brad Harkness, C; Larry Brown, E; Tony Sanchez, T; Randy Brown, T; Mike Vernon, QB; Ed Woirol, HB; Terry Merchant, HB; Jim Simcox, FB; Steve Shaw, DE; Les Hunt, S; Mike Losee, S; Bill Stohl, G; Randy Smith, LB; Bob Bissland, E.
SCHEDULE—Saginaw P & P; Clare; Ovid-Elsie; St. Louis; Chesaning; Bullock Creek; Corunna; Bridgeport.

ST. LOUIS

The Sharks created few waves in last fall's Association race with a 4-5 record. This year, things should be brighter. A good supply of talent is on hand for second year coach Hank Dugan and the Sharks could be definite challengers. Tackle Roger Richardson (235) is back to anchor both the offensive and defensive lines, so if Dugan can come up with a backfield to go with what should be a solid defense and offensive line, St. Louis won't be singing too many blues this year.
ST. LOUIS (4-5)—14 Shepherd 12; 0 Chesaning 31; 19 Perry 6; 0 Ovid-Elsie 47; 6 Arthur Hill Tech. 13; 7 Ithaca 45; 20 Bullock Creek 13; 7 Corunna 19; 6 Breckenridge 0.

BULLOCK CREEK

Benton Phillips and Craig Yager head a list of fourteen returning monogram winners for coach Deloss Inman's Lancers. Phillips, a halfback, ran for 900 yards last season, while Yager is a rugged blocking offensive guard. Added experience and size give Inman hopes of improving on his first season's 2-6-1 record.
BULLOCK CREEK (2-6-1)—13 West Branch 32; 0 Ovid-Elsie 59; 13 Ithaca 13; 13 Corunna 25; 14 Perry 13; 13 Garber 34; 13 St. Louis 20; 0 Chesaning 52; 32 Meridian 12.
RETURNEES—George Bailey, T; Dave Fick, T; George Martin, B; John Van Meter, B; Craig Yager, G; Pat Fitzgibbon, T; Dave Hartnagle, E; Roger Pettipas, G; Benton Phillips, B; Gil Rider, T; Roy Stern, B; Willis Terwillegar, B; Bob Van Meter, B; Chris Woodcock, B.
SCHEDULE—Freeland; at Bridgeport; Corunna; Ovid-Elsie; at St. Louis; at Ithaca; Chesaning; B. C. John Glenn; at Sanford Meridian.

MID-SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

Waldron looks like the best bet, but Pittsford could be the front-runner in the end.

Best Lineman: linebacker Steve Fouty, North Adams;
Best Back: fullback Bob Mackey, Pittsford.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Waldron	4	0	1	Camden-Frontier	1	2	2
North Adams	2	1	2	Tekonsha	1	3	1
Pittsford	2	1	2	Hanover-Horton	1	4	0

WALDRON

With an 8-0-1 record behind them, the '68 Spartans should be very strong again. Waldron loses ten seniors, but prospects still look good.
WALDRON (8-0-1)—33 Britton-Macon 0; 0 Camden-Frontier 0; Tekonsha 0; 18 North Adams 0; 27 Napoleon 7; 40 Martin 0; 34 Hanover-Horton 0; 14 Pittsford 0; 12 Adrian-Madison 6.
RETURNEES—Bill Klingler, FB; Calvin Merillat, C; Bob Wurm, G; Larry Timberman, E-HB; Neil Hinkley, QB; Dan Gallippo, E; Don Monahan, T; Dean Leininger, QB; Gary Michelson, T; Steve Williams, HB-E; Ed Crook, G; Joe Gallippo, HB; Don Markel, T; Lennard Landel, G-FB.
SCHEDULE—Britton-Macon; at Hanover-Horton; at North Adams; Ypsilanti Roosevelt; Pittsford; at Grass Lake; at Tekonsha; Camden-Frontier; Springport.

NORTH ADAMS

Key personnel losses may prevent the North Adams Rams from duplicating last year's 4-2-2 record. Coach Bob Gaberdiel should have a better all-around offense, spearheaded by quarterback Steve Ginolfi. Steve Fouty, a linebacker, leads the defensive unit. Last season as a sophomore, he led the team in tackles.
NORTH ADAMS (4-2-2)—33 Litchfield 0; 7 Morenci 13; 6 Pittsfield 6; 7 Tekonsha 7; 0 Waldron 18; 19 Hanover-Horton 13; 6 Camden 0; 20 Climax-Scotts 0.
RETURNEES—Bob Taylor, E; Mike Betz, E; Doug Goodwin, T; Steve Waldron, T; Neal Dwyer, G; Steve Ginolfi, QB; Greg Kurtz, HB; Steve Fourty, LB; Don Rutan, HB.
SCHEDULE—Litchfield; at Pittsfield; Waldron; at Camden; at Hanover; Tekonsha; Grass Lake; at Climax-Scotts.

PITTSFORD

Senior fullback Bob Mackey returns to the line-up after gaining a whopping 1270 yards at a rate of 5.9 yards per carry last season. With their top ground gainer returning, the Wildcats are a definite threat for league championship honors after tying for second last year. Coach Lyle Spahr has 16 more lettermen to build around, including 200-pound center Duane Elliott and backs David Dow, Larry Milliman, Gary Julian and Doug Timberman.
PITTSFORD (4-3-2)—0 Jonesville 33; 27 Hanover-Horton 13; 7 North Adams 7; 21 Edon 0; 13 Camden 13; 28 Tekonsha 6; 14 Addison 13; 0 Waldron 14; 14 Springport 16.
RETURNEES—Harold Burger, E; Roger Winchell, T; Lewis Cunningham, T; Sam Gier, G; Bob Stuck, G; Duane Elliott, C; David Dow, B; John Clark, G; Biga Smith, T; Gary Julian, B; Rush Schofield, E; Larry Milliman, B; Mark Laugenslager, G; Douglas Timberman, B; Roger Joughin, T; Kenneth Kope, E.
SCHEDULE—at Jonesville; North Adams; at Camden; Grass Lake; at Waldron; Hanover-Horton; at Addison; Tekonsha.

CAMDEN-FRONTIER

Coach Eldeon Murphy will have 11 returning lettermen in an attempt to move into the first division. On offense, the Redskins need help at center, one tackle, and one halfback. Mike McCrea (190) returns at fullback. Duane Zimmerman (195) on defense and Ken Olmstead (195) on offense both return at tackle.
CAMDEN-FRONTIER (1-4-3)—6 Reading 6; 7 Waldron 7; 0 Olivet 33; 19 Hanover-Horton 6; 13 Fremont 19; 13 Pittsfield 13; 0 North Adams 6; 7 Tekonsha 13.
RETURNEES—Yalen Salisbury, QB; Mike McCrea, FB; Ken Olmstead, T; Rich Shock, G; Craig Eby, HB; Jim Spangler, DB; Dave Mallar, E; Sam Brown, G; Duane Zimmerman, DT; Stan Francis, DE; Tom Cooney, E.
SCHEDULE—Reading; Grass Lake; Pittsford; North Adams; Tekonsha; Hanover-Horton; Waldron.

TEKONSHA

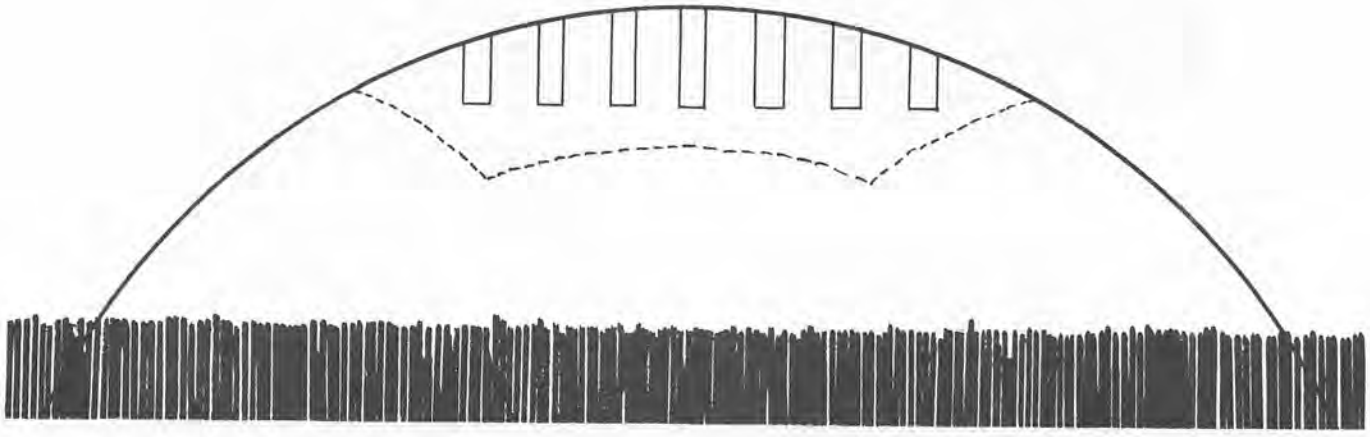
The outlook at Tekonsha is not bright, considering the 1-6-1 overal record and 1-3-1 in the Mid-Southern League in 1967. Coach Duane Richardson has lost a host of key players and will be rebuilding in 1968.

HANOVER-HORTON

Although finishing with a disappointing 1-7 record, Lyndon Harden's Comets have hopes for next year's conference title. Fifteen returning lettermen, including linebacker Rich Zaharie and guard Larry Hammond, should give them what could be the best team in the history of the school.
HANOVER-HORTON (1-7)—0 Columbia Central 25; 6 Pittsford 25; 0 Concord 38; 6 Camden-Frontier 19; 19 Tekonsha 13; 13 North Adams 19; 0 Waldron 34; 6 Morenci 13.
RETURNEES—Scott Center, S; Rick Davis, G; Larry Hammond, T; Carl Lowe, T; Jim Plumb, C; Rich Zaharie, G; Dan Brown, QB; Dan Childs, E; Mark Ely, E; Scott Ely, B; Mike Matteson, G; Robin Rowlader, B; Jeff Butters, T; Jerry Vigus, T; Rod Adache, B.
SCHEDULE—at Concord; Waldron; Olivet; Tekonsha; North Adams; at Pittsford; at Camden-Frontier; at Grass Lake.

GRASS LAKE

Any team coming off a winless season looks for vast improvement, but the fortunes at Grass Lake could take a sizable jump in the Mid-Southern League in '68. Coach John Seckinger starts his second year with 16 lettermen, some help from the reserve team, and more team speed. Bill Chronister and Jerry Herendeen started on both offense and defense for the Warriors as sophomores.
GRASS LAKE (0-8-1)—0 Concord 38; 0 Williamston 21; 0 Manchester 0; 0 Whitmore Lake 19; 7 Ypsilanti Roosevelt 14; 13 Novi 21; 0 Clinton 28; 0 Brooklyn 13; 13 East Jackson 20.
RETURNEES—John Burgett, C; Dave Phillips, G; Bill Chronister, G; Tom Loveland, G; Tom Pierce, T; Joe Smith, T; Art Doelker, E; Kevin Reithmiller, E; John White, HB; Chris Mather, QB; Mike Howe, QB; Steve Updike, FB; Jerry Herendeen, HB; Ken Burton, FB; Terry Pollard, B; Bill Campbell, B.
SCHEDULE—Napoleon; Camden-Frontier; at Tekonsha; at Pittsford; at Dansville; Walden; at N. Adams; Hanover-Horton; East Jackson.



FLINT GETS MAGICAL "ASTRO-TURF"

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Atwood Stadium in Flint will no longer be known as the "Mud Bowl". Astro-Turf, the magical carpet for athletic events has been installed this summer, marking another first for the vehicle city.

The 1966-67 seasons left more people talking about the poor condition of the Atwood gridiron than the quality of play by the strong Saginaw Valley squads. Flint's ever-expanding athletic programs and plants once again benefit from the cooperation of the many sports-minded agencies in the city. On this occasion, the City Park and Recreation Board, the Board of Education, and the Mott Foundation have combined to make sure the field is on the level of the competition.

A grant of $150,000 by the foundation to the Board of Education, half of which will be repaid, made the purchase of the turf possible. The Park and Recreation Board requested and received $90,000 from the city commission for the installation. Representatives of the Monsanto Corporation, who produce Astro-Turf, supervised the installation.

The turf is a synthetic fiber than can be zipped, nailed, or glued to a pad placed on asphalt. Astro-Turf carries an unconditional guarantee for five years and there is speculation that this will soon be upped to ten years or more.

The Municipal Stadium in Seattle, Washington, and Indiana State University were the first to use Astro-Turf outdoors, and glowing reports have come from both sources. Harvey Lanman, Park and Recreation Director for Seattle, claims he was named Sportsman-of-the-Year becouse of his successful push for the new field. More than 70 games were played by high school, college and pro teams last fall with no evidence of wear. Maintenance was nil, and most important of all, injuries were curtailed drastically. Of those suffered, none required surgery.

Athletic Director Gordon Chalmers of Indiana State echoed Lanman's remarks almost to a "T". Seven college games, 14 high school, plus soccer and field hockey were played on the university's field. In addition, all practice sessions of the 80-man football squad were on the same site and the university felt it equivalent to 100 games. The only maintenance needed was an occasional sweeping of leaves blown in from nearby trees. Forty-three man days were lost due to injury—23 from foreign fields, and 20 from the Astro-Turf. Chalmers calculated that at least 90 per cent of the time was played on the Astro-Turf however.

Knee and ankle injuries are the scourge of football teams. Michigan State coach Duffy Daughertv blames cleats catching in the turf as the major cause. This shouldn't happen on Astro-Turf.

The University of Wisconsin has the new fiber under strong consideration and may yet install it for this season. Several other Big Ten schools are exploring its advantages in addition to many professional football and baseball teams.

U. S. Coach Guard Academy officials have been quoted as saying that savings from injuries would quickly repav the estimated $225,000 cost. The Academy may have Astro-Turf next fall.

The City of Flint has spent nearly $20,000 in each of the past two seasons for maintenance and vet its field was termed a disgrace. Astro-Turf should pay its own way.

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MID-WAYNE LEAGUE

Riverview may be just a shade better than incumbent champion Lutheran West. Garden City East is a darkhorse prospect.

Best Lineman: tackle Rick Riling, Riverview;
Best Back: quarterback Russ Gartha, Lutheran West.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Lutheran West	5	0	0	Taylor Center	2	3	0
Riverview	4	1	0	Robichaud	1	4	0
Garden City East	3	2	0	Inkster	0	5	0

LUTHERAN WEST

There's an aura of mystery surrounding coach Dennis Tuomi's Leopards this season. They have one of the youngest squads in the history of the school. One bright spot in this unknown future is the return of quarterback Russ Gartha, who is a tremendous passer, but needs protection. He had 79 completions last year for 1,106 yards and 18 touchdowns. The defensive unit was lead by linebacker Russ Niemi, who was credited with 54 tackles, three interceptions and one blocked punt.

LUTHERAN (6-1-1)—26 Tecumseh 21; 40 Garden City 12; 13 Robichaud 9; 32 Taylor Center 6; 32 Inkster 7; 13 Riverview 7; 18 Benedictine 33; 14 Lutheran East 14.

RETURNEES—Tom Baetz, HB; Mike Fishback, LB; Russ Gartha, QB; Russ Niemi, LB.

SCHEDULE—Lowrey; Algonac; Garden City; Robichaud; Taylor Center; Inkster; Riverview; Harper Woods; Lutheran East.

RIVERVIEW

Despite losing 13 starters from last year's fine 8-1 team, 18 lettermen return to give second year coach Don C. Lessner's charges a strong nucleus on which to build. Back for their third season of varsity ball are halfback Rick Clark (151 pounds), end Darrell Blackburn (183) and fullback Frank Jaskowski (183). Clark, an all-leaguer in his first two seasons, ripped off nine touchdowns in 1967. Also returning at a tackle slot is 256-pound Rick Riling.

RIVERVIEW (8-1)—40 Grosse Ile 0; 14 Wyandotte 13; 19 Taylor Center 0; 26 Garden City 0; 41 Inkster 0; 26 Robichaud 13; 7 Lutheran West 13; 45 Flat Rock 0; 12 Trenton 7.

RETURNEES—Mike Ankney, HB; Mark Bewick, T; Darrell Blackburn, E; Dan Brown, T; Tom Burzynski, E; Rick Clark, HB; Tim Daniel, HB; Paul DeJaeger, G; Tim Drumheller, E; Larry Gambino, G; Frank Jaskowski, FB; Mike Miller, C; Mike Peregord, LB; Brian Queen, FB; Rick Riling, T; Dennis Rodriguez, G; Don Sable, QB; Jim Schrader, HB.

SCHEDULE—at Grosse Ile; Wyandotte; at Taylor Center; Garden City; at Inkster; Robichaud; Lutheran West; at Flat Rock; Trenton.

GARDEN CITY EAST

Coach Gary Humphrey's Panthers are on the prowl and could land the conference crown. There are 22 lettermen in camp, so the Panthers are sure bets to improve upon last year's 5-4 record. Garden City will be tough on defense and the main reason is 160-pound linebacker Larry Nault, the team's leading tackler last year.

RETURNEES—Jim Burton, B; Mike Bremenhour, FB; Gary Spencer, B; John Chute, QB; Bob Damesworth, B; Tim Whitson, E; Kevin Wilkenson, E; Mike Jedynack, E; Larry Zielinski, T; Frank Rynicki, T; Gerry Wright, T; Pat Moore, G; Ron Mulka, G; Ralph Coffman, G; Rick Lipinski, C; Dennis Woody, C; Tim Graham, T; Larry Nault, LB; Mike O'Neil, QB; Mike Wishart, T.

TAYLOR CENTER

Football prospects are on the upswing at Taylor Center, where coach Al Checkler has 11 lettermen back to improve the 2-7 mark of 1967. A pair of giants anchor Taylor's line, with 245-pound tackle Larry Jones and center Mike Tanner (230) returning, along with 205-pound guard Marc Legris. Ends Mike Glason and Mike Toop, both 190, are also back, so the Rams unfold an experienced line. In the backfield are Mike Young at quarterback, with halfbacks Gary Lansky and Frank Cooper and fullback Tom Carlson. Another year of experience makes the Rams a team to deal with.

TAYLOR CENTER (2-7)—0 Schaefer 26; 6 Toledo St. Johns 12; 0 Riverview 19; 28 Inkster 12; 6 Lutheran West 32; 0 Garden City East 13; 7 Robichaud 0; 6 Wayne John Glenn 19; 0 Taylor Kennedy 7.

RETURNEES—Larry Jones, T; Mike Tanner, C; Kent Hurst, G; Marc Legris, G; Bill Cottrell, G; Mike Toop, E; Gary Glason, E; Mike Young, QB; Gary Lansky, HB; Tom Carlson, FB; Frank Cooper, HB.

DEARBORN HEIGHTS ROBICHAUD

Robichaud attempts to climb toward the top in the league, with coach Keith Emerson banking on 11 lettermen. Quarterback James Chambo, fullback Ambrose Brintley, and halfback David Everett are the key returnees for the Bulldogs. Zack Conley, a 240-pound tackle, and John Hibbler, another 200-pound tackle are expected to clear the way if Robichaud is to improve on its fifth place finish last season.

ROBICHAUD (2-7)—0 Taylor Kennedy 12; 13 Belleville 26; 13 Inkster 0; 9 Lutheran West 13; 0 Garden City 6; 13 Riverview 26; 0 Taylor 7; 7 Highland Park 12; 20 Romulus 0.

RETURNEES—Ambrose Brintley, FB; John Bush, G; James Chambo, QB; Zack Conley, T; Paul Doran, E; David Everett, HB; John Hibbler, T; Keith Ledford, T; Henry Logan, E; Larry Lyons, G; Ron Thompson, G.

SCHEDULE—Taylor Kennedy; at Belleville; Inkster; at Luth. West; Garden City East; at Riverview; at Taylor Center; at Highland Park; Romulus.

Completing the league is last-place INKSTER.

MOTOR VALLEY D LEAGUE

New Lothrop is the best bet, but league newcomer Vestaburg could be a real surprise with some breaks.

Best Lineman: tackle Roger Chase, Vestaburg;
Best Back: fullback Denorval Emery, MSD.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
New Lothrop	3	0	0	Mich. School for			
Morrice	2	1	0	the Deaf	1	2	0
				Ashley	0	3	0

MORRICE

Line support to go along with an already tested backfield is what coach Al Urpsis is looking for. Eleven lettermen return, as the Orioles will try to better last season's 3-5 record. Halfbacks Mike Edington (145 pounds) and Wayne Morse (175), and fullback Rudy Darling are back. Each of them averaged over four yards a carry in 1967.

MORRICE (3-5)—6 Webberville 7; 26 Ashley 13; 0 New Lothrop 7; 21 Vestaburg 0; 7 BTS 13; 7 Flint Holy Rosary 32; 21 MSD 0; 6 Owosso St. Paul 18.

RETURNEES—Joe Schiebner, E; Jim Jarrad, T; Paul Proudfoot, T; Steve Wesley, E; Dale Roll, G; Ken Ryan, LB; Gary McNeil, LB; Mark Nourse, HB; Mike Edington, HB; Wayne Morse, HB; Rudy Darling, FB.

SCHEDULE—Webberville; at Owosso St. Paul; at New Lothrop; BTS; at Vestaburg; MSD; Ashley; Dewitt.

MICHIGAN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

Veteran coach Earl Roberts—he's been at MSD for 25 years—will be shooting for his 100th career victory this season and he'll probably get a good start on his second 100 before the season ends. Roberts, who has compiled a 98-84 mark in his long career, fields a veteran team loaded with talent. The Tartars suffered through a 2-6 season last year, but should almost reverse that mark this fall. No fewer than 16 lettermen are back in camp, making the Tartars serious contenders in the conference.

MSD (2-6)—7 Goodrich 18; 21 Wis. SD 7; 26 Grosse Pte. 20; 7 New Lothrop 28; 6 Ind. SD 25; 0 Morrice 21; 6 Ashley 14; 7 Hartland 27.

RETURNEES—Mike Ackles, T; Ed Croff, HB; Denorval Emery, FB; Louis Franz, C; Terry Gingery, G; Norm Ingram, T; Kevin McGrath, LB; Paul Miller, E; Clyde Mohan, E; Terry Moore, E; Rodney Renusch, HB; Edward Robinson, HB; Chris Schultz, QB; Keith Shaw, T; C. J. Thomas, HB; Steve Williams, T.

VESTABURG

With all but one player returning, the Wolverines move into the league for the first time. 1968 could be a banner year for coach Jack Ingalls' squad, providing there are no injuries to key players. All-Stater Roger Chase, a 230-pound linebacker, and back Don Mortensen are among the list of fine returning players.

VESTABURG (3-5)—7 Tri-County 12; 6 Fulton 26; 0 Central Montcalm 26; 12 Ashley 6; 0 Morrice 21; 6 Montabella 7; 12 Beal City 7; 19 Carson City 6.

RETURNEES—Roger Chase, T; Don Mortensen, C-B; Mark Kloeckner, G; Dennis Blanshan, HB; Doyle Wood, QB; Ron Sharp, B; Brian Wood, QB; Glen Sibert, B; Monte Stialton, FB; Lyn Gorsach, T; Ray Mortensen, T; Mike Bigelon, E; Garold Foor, E; Doug Johnston, G; Harry Ryckman, G; Dariel Hetherington, G.

SCHEDULE—Tri-County; Fulton; Mich. School For Deaf; Ashley; Morrice; New Lothrop; Beal City; Carson City.

NEW LOTHROP is the defending champ and hopes for more of the same good fortune in '68.

ASHLEY hopes to get out of the basement and that possibility is there.

NEWAYGO COUNTY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Grant is just a shade better than Holton, at least as the season begins, but Morley-Stanwood is a darkhorse.

Best Lineman: end Lance Ashbaugh, Holton;
Best Back: halfback Jim Hoisington, Morley-Stanwood.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Grant	7	0	0	White Cloud	3	4	0
Holton	5	2	0	Hesperia	2	5	0
Morley-Stanwood	5	2	0	Kent City	1	5	1
Tri-County	4	2	1	Newaygo	0	7	0

GRANT

With the 1967 conference championship under their belts, the Tigers look forward to an equally fine '68 season. Nineteen lettermen return from coach Ray Rynberg's 8-0 squad, including 6-5 Tom Gee and 6-1 Terry Geers, a pair of outstanding ends. With the help of some promising juniors, Grant will again be the top power in Newaygo County.

GRANT (8-0)—6 Ravenna 0; 33 Tri-County 13; 7 Morley-Stanwood 6; 28 Hesperia 0; 45 Kent City 0; 56 Newaygo 0; 27 White Cloud 6; 9 Holton 0.

RETURNEES—Dave Behler, FB; Larry Plaisier, QB; Steve Smith, HB; Doug Brown, HB; Bob Dill, HB; Dale Oakes, HB; Mark Swinehart, HB; Jim Uhe, HB; Roy Laisure, FB; John Behler, C; Tom Kidd, G; Henry Schuitema, G; Maurice Carr, T; Lee Logan, T; Scott Schanahan, T; Glenn Frey, G; Tom Gee, E; Terry Geers, E; Lawrence Thatcher, E.

SCHEDULE—at Ravenna; Morley-Stanwood; Hesperia; at Kent City; at Newaygo; White Cloud; at Holton; Tri-County.

HOLTON

Holton could make the jump from second to first in the league this season. Coach Lyle Rossiter has 14 returning lettermen, ten who were regulars on last year's team that finished 5-3. Lance Ashbaugh was all-conference at defensive end as a sophomore and Greg Zerlaut, a defensive linebacker, should be a consistent gainer at fullback for the Red Devils.

HOLTON (5-3)—0 Muskegon Oakridge 19; 26 Kent City 6; 0 Tri-County 6; 26 Newaygo 14; 21 White Cloud 6; 13 Morley-Stanwood 12; 12 Hesperia 7; 0 Grant 9.

RETURNEES—Carl Swenson, E; Kraig Ivie, E; Guy Trygstad, E; Dick Morrison, E; Jay Beecham, T; Lance Ashbaugh, T; Dave Hunt, T; Erba Younts, C; Wes Cochran, QB; Greg Zerlaut, FB; Mike Tanner, WB; Perry Johnson, HB; Dewey Rosencrans, QB; Cecil MacLaren, HB.

SCHEDULE—at Muskegon Oakridge; Tri County; Newaygo; at White Cloud; at Morley-Stanwood; at Hesperia; Grant; at Kent City.

MORLEY-STANWOOD

If returning lettermen can fill key positions left open by graduation, the Mohawks could have another fine season. Helping coach William Huntley to his '67 record of 6-2 were Jim Hoisington and Doug Vogg. Both are among the list of 16 returning lettermen.

MORLEY-STANWOOD (6-2)—12 Farwell 0; 23 White Cloud 7; 6 Grant 7; 13 Tri-County 7; 12 Holton 13; 14 Hesperia 0; 7 Kent City 6; 20 Newaygo 0.

RETURNEES—Doug Vogg, E; Dean Erts, T; Mike Higley, C; Jim Hoisington, HB; Jerry Esch, HB; Marv Bowman, HB; Mike Stilson, HB; Jim Sauders, E; Tim Bechaz, G; Phil Titler, G; Dennis Skinner, G; Nick Boerma, G; Mark Thurston, G; Ernie Smith, T; Archie Messenger, E.

SCHEDULE—Farwell; Grant; Tri-County; Holton; Hesperia; Kent City; Newaygo; White Cloud.

WHITE CLOUD

Seventeen lettermen are back from coach Jim Helgemo's first-year team that posted a 4-5 record, and things look bright in 1968. Looking for replacements for strong linemen will be Helgemo's main chore.

WHITE CLOUD (4-5)—19 Baldwin 6; 7 Morley 23; 0 Hesperia 6; 0 Kent City 26; 0 Newaygo 25; 21 Holton 6; 28 Grant 7; 21 Tri-County 13; 13 North Muskegon 0.

RETURNEES—Clat Allers, T; Mike Duke, B; Cliff Dukes, B; Harold Dulin, E; Ray Elliott, B; Gary Fetterley, G; Sid Smith, B; Wayne Williams, E; Gary Vanderberg, B; Dale Wismar, T; Terry Smith, B; Flinton Barry, E; Don Hudson, G; Randy Hull, E; Lee Johnson, B; Manny Kukal, B; Tom Osborne, T.

SCHEDULE—Baldwin; Hesperia; Kent City; Newaygo; Holton; Grant; Tri-County; Morley.

HESPERIA

Coach Gary Vogel has 14 letterwinners returning this season to help improve on last season's 2-6 record. Vogel sees his passing game as the team's strongest weapon, with sophomore Ken Kolbe expected to man the position. Returning at ends are Ed Chase, Chuck Hiler and Jim Muckey. Randy Gleason, a 160-pound halfback, is expected to provide running spark for the Panthers. Gary Homan, a 180-pound center, gives good blocking on the line.

HESPERIA (2-6)—7 Shelby 20; 20 Newaygo 0; 0 White Cloud 6; 0 Grant 28; 0 Tri-County 30; 0 Morley-Stanwood 14; 7 Holton 12; 7 Kent City 0.

RETURNEES—Ken Kolbe, QB; Randy Gleason, HB; Ed Roberson, HB; Jim Hunt, HB; Gary Homan, C; Kurt Larenzen, G; Chris Thompson, LB; Mike Hren, T; Joe Golden, T; Terry Wildfong, T; Leo Winchel, T; Ed Chase, E; Jim Muckey, E; Chuck Hiler, E.

SCHEDULE—Shelby; White Cloud; Grant; Tri-County; Morley-Stanwood; Holton; Kent City.

NEWAYGO

Suffering through a winless campaign last year has left Newaygo with 17 experienced faces for 1968. Coach Bill Johnston's Lions can call on Mike Marker, Walt Maciejewski, Terry Salacina and quarterback Joe Lantz among backfield returnees. Mike Baio and Les Salacina provide 200-pound plus beef up front.

NEWAYGO (0-8)—0 Chippewa Hills 20; 0 Hesperia 20; 7 Kent City 12; 14 Holton 25; 0 White Cloud 25; 0 Grant 56; 0 Tri-County 21; 0 Morley-Stanwood 20.

RETURNEES—Don Vincent, G; Mike Marker, B; Carl Brott, C; Murv Tjalma, E; Mark Puff, E; Walt Maciejewski, B; Bill Ridderikhoff, G; Dave Beebe, E; Marty Ludwick, T; Les Salacina, T; Mark Czarnicki, B; Terry Salacina, B.

SCHEDULE—at Chippewa Hills; Kent City; at Holton; White Cloud; Grant; at Tri-County; at Morley-Stanwood; Hesperia.

TRI-COUNTY should encounter some friction in trying to move up in the standings, while KENT is hoping to stay away from the cellar.

NORTH CENTRAL THUMB D LEAGUE

Ruth and North Huron are good bets, while Harbor Beach is a definite possibility should either fail.

Best Lineman: end Bill Quinn, Caseville;

Best Back: halfback Fred Guitar, Harbor Beach OLLH.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Ruth	6	0	0	Caseville	3	3	0
North Huron	5	1	0	Carsonville	2	4	0
Harbor Beach				Port Austin	1	5	0
OLLH	4	2	0	Peck	0	6	0

NORTH HURON

Nine starters and 12 lettermen return from last season's fine 6-2 team, to give coach James Bowen's Warriors a good shot at repeating that finish. Gary Rice (170 pounds), Clayton Parrish (205) and Dennis Weber (195) head the list of returnees.

NORTH HURON (6-2)—6 Owen-Gage 0; 0 Essexville 13; 19 Port Austin 0; 13 Caseville 6; 14 Carsonville 0; 7 Ruth 19; 47 Peck 6; 13 Harbor Beach 12.

RETURNEES—Dave Stiebe, E; Randy Engle, T; Gerry Ignash, G; Gary Rice, C; Clayton Parrish, G; Dennis Weber, T; Bob Wilson, E; Tim Clancy, HB; Andy Lapka, FB; Bill McPhee, HB; Ken Rice, E; Bob Souva, HB.

SCHEDULE—at Owen-Gage; at Port Austin; at Caseville; OLLH; Ruth; at Carsonville; at Peck; Essexville St. John.

OUR LADY OF LAKE HURON

With ten lettermen returning, the Trojans are looking to better their 4-4 1967 record. Coach Thomas Tatrow is counting on the help of some outstanding JV players.

The offense is led by halfback Fred Guitar, who averaged over 9.6 yards per carry last year. Besides being the leading ground gainer, he also punts and kicks the extra points.

OLLH (4-4)—13 Memphis 20; 6 Ruth 19; 26 Caseville 2; 12 Peck 0; 12 North Huron 13; 40 Carsonville 6; 44 Port Austin 7; 0 New Lothrop 19.

RETURNEES—Gary Braun, G-T; Richard Cook, T; James Deihl, G-T; William Essenmacher, G; Leonard Messing, G; Duane Murawske, FB; Fred Guitar, HB-QB; Milford Suida, E; Mike Zinger, C; Pat Hanlon, T.

CASEVILLE

Two-time all-conference quarterback Eric Guster has graduated and replacing him will be a major problem for Caseville coach Mike Murch.

The Eagles have 15 returning lettermen, led by linemen Bill Quinn and Larry Kreh and back Dave Hofman.

Hofman is capable of developing into the best back in Caseville grid history. He gained 387 yards last season in 80 carries, for an outstanding sophomore season.

CASEVILLE (3-5)—0 Unionville 38; 13 Carsonville 12; 2 OLLH 26; 6 North Huron 13; 6 St. John's 13; 18 Peck 0; 0 Ruth SSPP 44; 27 Port Austin 0.

RETURNEES—Bill Quinn, E; Larry DeSloover, E; Jeff Siegwart, T; Jeff Beadle, T; Roy Langley, T; Larry Kreh, G; Dave Poisson, G; Tom Quinn, G; Bob Johnson, G; Charlie Stahl, G; Wally Hart, C; Don Cleaver, C; Dave Hofman, HB; Tim Poisson, HB; Mike Farrer, HB.

SCHEDULE—Port Austin; OLLH; North Huron; at Essexville-St. John's; Peck; Ruth; at Port Austin; at Carsonville.

CARSONVILLE

Coach Dave Johnson has to find a tackle and guard to fill gaps left by graduation if the team is to improve on its fifth place finish. The Tigers have 11 lettermen back, led by quarterback Bob Staskiewicz who completed 42 of 74 passes for seven TD's. He was second team all-conference as was linebacker Jim Young (190), who averaged 11 tackles per game. Bob Rickett (6-0, 200) is a big halfback.

CARSONVILLE (3-5)—0 Kingsford 7; 12 Caseville 13; 19 Peck 19; 6 Essexville 6; 12 Port Austin 0; 6 Harbor Beach 40; 0 Kinde 13; 0 Ruth 30.

RETURNEES—Jim Connolly, LB; Fred Cutler, E; John Dean, C; Allen Detgen, HB; Rick DeLong, T; Curt Henderson, LB; Tex McGregor, G; Bob Rickett, HB; Tom Rickett, E; Bob Staskiewicz, QB; Jim Young, FB.

SCHEDULE—Kingston; Essexville; Peck; Port Austin; Harbor Beach; Kinde; Ruth; Caseville.

RUTH is the defending champion and must be rated a top contender again.

PORT AUSTIN and PECK finished at the bottom last fall and will try to climb higher up, while HOPE makes its first appearance into the league.

NORTH STAR LEAGUE

Atlanta and Rose City, though both are favorites, have big rebuilding jobs ahead. Hillman could surprise everybody.

Best Lineman: tackle Russ Godfrey, Hillman;

Best Back: halfback Don Ott, Au Gres Sims.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Atlanta	6	0	1	Hale	4	3	0
Rose City	5	1	1	Au Gres	2	5	0
Hillman	5	2	0	Arenac Eastern	1	6	0
Posen	4	3	0	Mio	0	7	0

ATLANTA

The Huskies, coached by Lyle McDonnell, finished No. one in the league with a fine 6-0-1 record last season. Twelve lettermen return, but the outlook is still apprehensive.

ATLANTA (6-0-1)—0 Rose City 0; 38 Au Gres 0; 26 Hale 13; 45 Mio 0; 34 Arenac E. 0; 33 Hillman 0; 18 Posen 7.

RETURNEES—Randy Wilson, E; Larry Michiels, E; Dave Smith, E; Mike Kliewer, B; Mike Takash, C; Stanley Kliewer, T; Martin Smith, T; Joe Tunnicliffe, T; Bob Manier, B; Steve Freeman, B; Dale Freel, B; Spencer Kent, B.

SCHEDULE—at Mio; Arenac Eastern; at Hillman; Hale; at Au Gres; at Posen; Gaylord St. Mary's.

WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY

The Wolves consolidated with West Branch this fall. They finished second in their league last fall. Coach Terry Hammond has eight letterwinners returning, led by tackle Paul Williams (200). Experience is lacking at quarterback, fullback, center, and one tackle.

ROSE CITY (5-1-1)—0 Atlanta 0; 0 Hillman 2; 7 Hale 6; 13 Posen 7; 16 Au Gres 12; 6 Arenac 0; 26 Mio 0.

RETURNEES—Don Vliet, E; Paul Williams, T; Dave Mann, G; Ken Wrangler, G; Tom Benjamin, E; Mike Lane, E; Kent Shister, HB; Ed Tillitz, HB.

HILLMAN

Strong defense and unstable offense is the word out about the Tigers, who were 5-3 last fall.

Hillman shut out three opponents and held two others to just one score last season. All-league tackle Russ Godfrey (6-3, 195), end Darwin Kenyon, back Gary LaFleshe and tackle Terry McKenzie are starters from that defensive unit back to lead the way in '68.

Though inexperience is abundant, Hillman has a 32-6-1 record in the past five league seasons and tradition alone should make it tough again in '68.

AU-GRES-SIMS

Only two letterwinners were lost from last year's Au-Gres-Sims team, which finished with a 2-6 record, and coach Len Tyler expects to field a good Wolverine team again this season. Twenty letterwinners return. Among those are Don Ott, top linebacker and halfback, Dan Kammerzell, defensive halfback and quarterback, John George, center and defensive end, Jack Scheible, defensive tackle, Buddy Paradise, offensive and defensive end.

AU-GRES-SIMS (2-6)—7 St. John's 13; 26 Mio 0; 0 Atlanta 38; 6 Hillman 13; 7 Posen 27; 12 Rose City 16; 0 Hale 20; 13 Arenac Eastern 0.

RETURNEES—Don Ott, FB; Dean Kauffman, WB; Dan Kammerzell, QB; John Bilacic, B; Rick Pomerville, WB; Chuck Findlay, QB; Steve Southward, G; Paul Jackson, C; Walt Blackmer, E; John George, C; Steve Armentrout, T; Bob Packard, T; Jack Scheible, E; Randy Bilacic, G; Bernard Freehling, T; Dennis Dingman, G; Jim Churillo, G; Bill Morgan, LT.

SCHEDULE—Posen; Mio; Arenac Eastern; Hillman; Atlanta; Hale.

POSEN and HALE will fight to better their 4-3 records last season, while ARENAC EASTERN and MIO fight to get out of the depths of the lower division.

NORTHEASTERN MICHIGAN CONFERENCE

Harrison appears to be a solid favorite over Gerrish-Higgins and Beaverton, the next best bets.

Best Lineman: tackle Mike Brandon, Harrison;

Best Back: quarterback Ron Francetic, Harrison.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Harrison	5	0	0	Whittemore-Prescott	2	3	0
Roscommon	3	1	1	Alcona	1	4	0
Beaverton	3	1	1	Houghton Lake	0	5	0

HARRISON

Harrison goes after its second straight unbeaten season under coach James Rosekrans, with its all-conference junior quarterback Ron Francetic back to lead the way. Senior tackle Mike Brandon at 225 pounds throws his weight around for the Hornets. Nine lettermen are back to build toward another title, including added heft in 300-pound center Ray Prielipp, 200-pound tackle Brent Griffin and 190-pound guard Tony Clark.

HARRISON (8-0)—7 Grayling 6; 20 Alcona 0; 27 Whittemore 6; 26 Houghton Lake 0; 12 Beaverton 6; 7 Roscommon 0; 7 Marion 0; 13 Coleman 12.

RETURNEES—Mike Brandon, T; Lowery Napier, E; Shawn Kinnie, B; Kelly Hileman, B; Ron Francetic, B; Tony Clark, G; Steve Hammond, G; Ray Prielipp, C; Brent Griffin, T.

SCHEDULE—at Grayling; Alcona; Whittemore; at Houghton Lake; at Beaverton; Roscommon; at Marion; Coleman.

GERRISH HIGGINS

Last season the Bucks rambled to a 5-1-2 record with a team that was both small and slow.

This season the make-up is similar. Jim Englehard has 13 lettermen to work with and they should help the Bucks in their attempt to win at least half of their games.

GERRISH HIGGINS (5-1-2)—33 Pine River 0; 20 Whit.-Pres. 13; 6 Beaverton 6; 40 Alcona 0; 0 Harrison 7; 34 Houghton Lake 0; 7 Lake City 0; 12 Marion 12.

RETURNEES—Jim McGinnis, B; Steve Leusby, E; Den Abcock, DB; Lowayne Mann, T; Blair Ballou, B; Mike Pavek, E; John Bennett, T; Gerry Medina, G; Mike Murphy, G Mike Brown, B; Ed Paerce, B; Harry Sherwood, B; Stan Sherwood, B.

SCHEDULE—Pine River; at Whit.-Pres.; Beaverton; at Alcona; Houghton Lake; at Harrison; Lake City; Medina.

BEAVERTON

Thirteen lettermen return with hopes of moving up one notch from last fall into the championship. Coach Dick Van Wieren has an experienced line, but the backs lack extensive game experience. The Beavers have no veteran over 180 pounds.

BEAVERTON (4-3-1)—12 Coleman 0; 12 Farwell 19; 27 Whittemore-Prescott 12; 0 Roscommon 0; 6 Harrison 12; 18 Houghton Lake 0; 12 Alcona 0; 6 Gladwin 37.

RETURNEES—Bill Mishler, HB; Mike Lorr, E; Dick Davis, C; Larry Quider, T; Dave Nimphie, G; Gilbert Roberson, HB; Carter Schamacher, QB; Lloyd Stillwagon, T; Mike Cingand, E; Joe Roth, G; Dave Evans, E; Allan Kory, HB; Mike Volrath, G.

SCHEDULE—at Coleman; Farwell; at Whittemore-Prescott; Harrison; Alcona; Houghton Lake; at Roscommon; at Meridian; Gladwin.

ALCONA

Coach David Lenick must have plenty of work cut out for his gridders when he says this year's squad will be "bigger, rougher, tougher and faster." The Tigers finished next-to-last in the conference last year and have 12 lettermen back to improve on that finish. Quarterback James Deller and halfbacks Bob Goddard, Phil Sautter, and Gary Skiba are among the experienced hands.

ALCONA (2-6)—26 Onaway 0; 0 Harrison 20; 0 Roscommon 42; 0 Beaverton 19; 6 Houghton L. 0; 6 Whittemore Pr. 20; 0 Petoskey 40; 6 Cheboygan 20.

RETURNEES—Jeff Brown, T; Pat Haley, E; James Deller, QB; Wayne Donaldson, G; Bill Edwards, T; Bob Goddard, HB; Phil Sautter, HB; Gary Skiba, HB; Allen Stephenson, G; Walter Unkovich, E; Russell Ross, E; Bob Somers, G.

SCHEDULE—Onaway; at Harrison; at Houghton Lake; Roscommon; Prescott; at Beaverton; Charlevoix; at Cheboygan.

HOUGHTON LAKE

With 12 lettermen returning, coach Barry A. Johnson's Bobcats hope to improve on last fall's cellar finish. Quarterback Jeff Guy, a junior, returns with a year's experience. Several linemen with good size include end Bob Hoetzel (200), guard Craig Butler (190), defensive tackle Mark Vick (230), and defensive guard Bob Babion (220).

HOUGHTON LAKE (1-7)—33 Onaway 0; 13 Lake City 32; 0 Coleman 12; 0 Alcona 6; 0 Harrison 26; 0 Roscommon 34; 0 Whittemore-Prescott 12; 6 Beaverton 19.

RETURNEES—Tom Harris, HB; Jeff Guy, QB; Craig Butler, G-LB; Bob Hoetzel, E-T; Mike Streff, HB-DE; Bill Enghoffer, HB; Mark Vick, DT; Bob Matter, DE; Pat Baumgardner, DE; Craig Oster, C; Fred Erickson, FB; Bob Babion, DG.

SCHEDULE—West Branch; at Coleman; Alcona; Harrison; at Roscommon; Whittemore-Prescott; at Beaverton; at Lake City.

WHITTEMORE-PRESCOTT rounds out the league, trying to improve on its 2-3 log of a year ago.

NORTHERN B CONFERENCE

Oscoda seems to be better than Tawas, but a stern challenge is expected from up-and-coming Pinconning, who may surprise everybody.

Best Lineman: tackle Cory Gildersleeve, Oscoda;
Best Back: halfback Dale Lewis, Pinconning.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Oscoda	6	0	0	Gladwin	2	3	1
Tawas	4	1	1	West Branch	1	5	0
Pinconning	2	1	3	Standish	0	6	0
Essexville	3	2	1				

OSCODA

Fifteen lettermen return to give the Owls a crack at their third consecutive conference championship. Coach Larry Quellman looks for a tough race, but a good returning nucleus should help. Top returning players include all-conference tackle Cory Gildersleeve and the third leading scorer in the conference, Jim Gates.

OSCODA (7-2)—31 Cass City 0; 0 Bay City John Glenn 7; 20 West Branch 6; 13 Essexville 0; 35 Gladwin 7; 6 Tawas 0; 33 Standish 0; 14 Pinconning 0; 0 Alpena 26.

RETURNEES—Jim Gates, HB; Tom Mormon, FB; Gary Cipriani, B; Kent Keish, B; Dan O'Connor, B; Cliff Draper, B; John Neal, E; Mike O'Connor, C; Ken Milliron, G; Tim Hacker, G; John Tarras, G; Mark Misenheimer, T; Dave Van Camp, T; Cory Gildersleeve, T.

SCHEDULE—Flint Kearsley; at West Branch; Essexville; at Gladwin; Tawas; Standish; at Pinconning; Saginaw Carrollton; Clare.

TAWAS AREA

The Braves need some rebuilding, but the outlook seems good. Fifteen lettermen come back to better the fine 6-2-1 '67 record. A strong JV team should out.

TAWAS AREA (6-2-1)—0 Bangor 18; 7 West Branch 6; 12 Carrollton 6; 13 Pinconning 13; 8 Standish-Sterling 0; 0 Oscoda 6; 28 Gladwin 14; 12 Essexville-Garber 0; 33 Whittemore-Prescott 7.

RETURNEES—Tom Jacques, FB-HB; Mark Harris, HB; Mark DeBeau, HB; Dave Lixey, HB; Dennis Krish, QB; Fred Look, E; Lyle Klinger, E; Russ Potts, T; Steve Crisenbery, T; Bill Brown, C; Owen King, G; Dennis Link, G; Marc Sims, G; Dennis O'Neil, G; Don Walker, G.

SCHEDULE—at Bay City East Catholic; at Carrollton; Pinconning; Standish; at Oscoda; Gladwin; at Essexville-Garber; at West Branch; Whittemore-Prescott.

PINCONNING

Coach Tom Stalker has 17 returning lettermen, including nine who were defensive starters from last fall's third place team. The Spartans are led by halfback Dale Lewis on offense, who caught 22 passes for 316 yards and three TD's and was named most valuable on the team. In the offensive line, Ken Meddaugh and center Gordon Hacker are two-year letterwinners. Meddaugh excels at linebacker on defense. Two big tackles return in Joe Morris (220) and Bary Sanak (200).

PINCONNING (4-2-3)—12 Sanford-Meridian 6; 19 Standish-Sterling 0; 12 Gladwin 12; 13 Tawas 13; 7 Essexville-Garber 7; 7 West Branch 6; 6 Chesaning 52; 0 Oscoda 14; 32 Bay City St. Stanislaus 0.

RETURNEES—Larry Bourassa, T; Neil Chamberlain, G; Greg Cowgill, FB; Tom Ellery, E; Gordon Hacker, C; Craig Haut, G; Jack Karbowski, LB; Jim Knochel, LB; John Krevinghaus, QB; Dale Lewis, HB; Roy Lewis, HB; Ira McKeon, S; Ken Meddaugh, G; Joe Morris, T; Bary Sanak, T; Neil Schumann, WB; Ernie Thompson, E.

SCHEDULE—Sanford-Meridian; Gladwin; at Tawas; Essexville-Garber; at West Branch; Carrollton; Oscoda; at Standish-Sterling; Bay City St. Stanislaus.

ESSEXVILLE GARBER

Graduation wiped out Garber's entire line from tackle to tackle, but coach Ed Harvey carries plenty of optimism into this fall's campaign. Veterans are back at all the backfield positions and at ends, so Harvey's feelings have a sound basis. Halfback Dave VerMeesch returns for his fourth letter and should greatly strengthen the Dukes' ground attack along with halfbacks Jim Kent and Joe Myers and fullback Corky Goulet.

ESSEXVILLE (4-3-2)—12 Carrollton 18; 18 Standish 0; 19 Gladwin 6; 0 Oscoda 13; 7 Pinconning 7; 32 Bullock Creek 13; 20 West Branch 14; 0 Tawas 12; 6 Bay City John Glenn 6.

RETURNEES—Bob Vermeesch, HB; Russ Wittkopp, E; Mark Weber, E; Jim Littrupp, T; Rick Russell, QB; Jim Kent, HB; John Scharrard, T; Frank Davenport, QB; Jerry Walraven, T; Denny Baddour, G; Al Talbot, G; Joe Myers, HB; Corky Goulet, FB; Charley Humphrey, E.

GLADWIN

With 15 returning letterwinners, two of them all-area and three honorable mention all-conference, prospects at Gladwin are definitely good. Key returnees for the Flying "G's" are all-area quarterback Al Dicken and all-area tackle Steve Pratt. Linebacker Jeff Juneac, tailback Jeff Redman and wingback Jake Martonesi are other standouts.

GLADWIN (4-4-1)—0 Clare 7; 7 Essexville 19; 12 Pinconning 12; 27 Carrollton 7; 7 Oscoda 35; 19 Standish 0; 14 Tawas 28; 34 West Branch 7; 38 Beaverton 6.

RETURNEES—Steve Pratt, T; Dick Simmons, T; Randy Wagar, G; Tom VanDeventer, G; Ron Taylor, C; Morris Grove, E; Dennis Wagar, E; Al Dicken, QB; Bob Williams, HB; Jake Martonesi, WB; Jeff Redman, TB; Jeff Juneac, LB; Mike Mather, LB; Bill Horton, T; John Hall, HB.

SCHEDULE—at Clare; at Pinconning; Carrollton; Oscoda; at Standish; at Tawas; West Branch; Essexville; at Beaverton.

CARROLLTON

Carrollton moves into the Northern B League after a couple of years playing independently and could grab the title on its initial appearance. Coach Larry Churches' Cavaliers, 4-5 last season, offer a rugged running attack, with Dale Taylor at fullback and Rex Jones and Jim Nichols the most likely halfback candidates. A lack of experienced quarterbacks hurt, but a tough line, headed by guard Don Shemanski, end George Kubiak, center John Schultz and end Arthur Podgurski is back.

CARROLLTON (4-5)—18 Essexville Garber 12; 27 North Branch 19; 6 Tawas Area 12; 7 Gladwin 27; 0 Flint St. Michael's 7; 7 Saginaw SS. Peter & Paul's 27; 40 Arthur Hill Tech 0; 26 Standish-Sterling 0; 25 Vassar 28.

RETURNEES—Dale Taylor, FB; Rex Jones, HB; Jim Nichols, HB; Don Shemanski, G; Ron Mehalski, C; George Kubiak, E; John Schultz, C; Arthur Podgurski, E; Dave Albosta, QB.

STANDISH, the cellar-dweller last season, rounds out the league and looks like a good bet to stay buried down deep in the standings again this fall.

NORTHERN LAKES CONFERENCE

Suttons Bay looks to be the best bet to win this new league's first championship.

Best Lineman: linebacker Mike Blanchard, Inland Lakes;
Best Back; halfback Rocky Freed.

INLAND LAKES

With ten lettermen returning from a 1967 squad which posted a 5-2 record, coach Tom Spencer has high hopes for the coming season. Last year was only the second season in 11-man football for Inland Lakes' Bulldogs. They have two returnees each at end, tackle, and guard. Rocky Freed, Walt Ellis, and Arnold Ostrander are returning backs, while Mike Blanchard returns at linebacker.

INLAND LAKES (5-2)—18 Pellston 0; 19 Posen 20; 24 Alpena JV 6; 28 Gaylord St. Mary's 13; 27 Detour 21; 13 Engadine 40; 19 Whitmore-Prescott 13.

RETURNEES—Steve Carpentier, C; Pat Vizina, T; Mike Blanchard, LB; Rocky Freed, HB; Norm Parrott, G; Fred Treat, T; Walt Ellis, HB; Terry Ream, E; Paul Johnson, E; Arnold Ostrander, B.

SCHEDULE—at Whittemore-Prescott; Hillman; Suttons Bay; at Central Lake; at Detour; Engadine; Bellaire; at Gaylord St. Mary's.

CENTRAL LAKE

Central Lake ventures into its first year of 11-man football with coach Ward Schanhals hoping for a second or third place finish in the newly formed conference. The Trojans have competed the past two seasons in eight-man football and carry a big, but slow line against their new competition.

CENTRAL LAKE (2-5)—17 Ellsworth 18; 0 Bellaire 26; 35 Mackinaw City 6; 21 Ellsworth 27; 20 Bellaire 21; 28 Mackinaw City 21; 6 Gaylord St. Mary's 7.

SUTTONS BAY

The Norsemen, under coach Dale H. Mathews, start varsity football this fall.

SCHEDULE—at Inland Lake; Gaylord St. Mary's; at Bellaire; Central Lake.

BELLAIRE and GAYLORD ST. MARY'S round out the teams included in the new league.

NORTHERN LOWER MICHIGAN LEAGUE

Petoskey St. Francis Xavier looks far and away to be the best team in the new league.

Best Lineman: guard Dave Switzer, Petoskey;
Best Back: quarterback Mike Snock, Grayling.

PETOSKEY ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Xavier moves into the newly-formed league after completing an excellent 7-1 season as an independent. Coach Charles DePrekel's biggest worry is filling the shoes of six backfield lettermen and particularly the quarterback. The Crusaders have ten veterans back, headed by 200-pound guard Dave Switzer who is college material. Tackle Dave Czerkie, end Mark Hegener and tackle Ken Keiser give St. Francis good size across the line.

ST. FRANCIS (7-1)—12 Harbor Springs 6; 7 Detour 6; 48 Brimley 12; 20 Manistee Catholic 60; 21 Cheboygan Catholic 6; 42 Cedarville 6; 26 Engadine 12; 43 Hillman 0.

RETURNEES—Jerry Glaser, E; Dave Czerkie, T; Dave Switzer, G; Ken Keiser, T; Mark Hegener, E; Dick Stewart, C; Bernie Hines, HB; Nat Chingwa, FB; Dave Kolinski, HB; Tom Foltz, HB.
SCHEDULE—Manistee Catholic; East Jordan; Grayling; Pellston; Harbor Springs; Onaway; Mancelona; Posen.

GRAYLING

Grayling's rebuilding program should show some results this season according to coach Michael Wieland. The Vikings' junior varsity team has won 13 of 14 games the past two years and Wieland hopes that winning spirit can carry over. Quarterback Mike Snock, fullback Allan Lowe, halfback Tony Ellison and 200-pound guard John Hunter are among the key lettermen.
GRAYLING (2-6)—6 Harrison 7; 0 Gaylord 14; 14 Charlevoix 45; 13 Harbor Springs 14; 6 Boyne City 47; 21 East Jordan 13; 56 Pellston 6; 7 Mancelona 13.
RETURNEES—Mike Snock, QB; Allan Lowe, FB; Tony Ellison, HB; Vern Hartmen, E; Rick Holmes, E; Paul Mauren, T; Joe Thompson, T; John Hunter, G; Dave McLain, C; Butch Hayes, QB.
SCHEDULE—Harrison; at Gaylord; Onaway; Harbor Springs; at East Jordan; Petoskey St. Francis; at Pellston; Mancelona.

ONAWAY AREA

Onaway competes with schools its own size now. The Cardinals appear ready to do some damage. Improvement on last year's 0-8 record is assured. Best among coach Les Nixon's returnees is all-conference center Rod Morgan, a 188-pound senior who was in on 19 tackles a game last season. Quarterback Mike O'Meara (167) returns, along with backs Mike Preseau (148) and Joe LaForest (150), so the Cardinals should be able to move the ball.
ONAWAY (0-8)—0 Alcona 26; 6 Cheboygan 53; 0 Petoskey 55; 0 Alpena CC 87; 0 Traverse City 42; 0 St. Francis 28; 0 St. Ignace 70; 6 Houghton Lake 33.
RETURNEES—Everett Comfort, G; Henry Dean, G; Joe LaForest, B; Rod Morgan, C; Howard Nash, E; Mike O'Meara, QB; Mike Preseau, B; Jerry Rodgers, T; Randy Walter, T.
SCHEDULE—at Alcona; at Petoskey SF; at Grayling; East Jordan; at Harbor Springs; Rogers City; at Mancelona; Pellston.

EAST JORDAN, HARBOR SPRINGS, MANCELONA and PELLSTON complete the line-up of teams in the new seven-team league.

NORTHWEST SUBURBAN LEAGUE

Glenn appears to be the best bet, based on experienced hands returning, over Franklin and North Farmington.
Best Lineman: guard Tim Ottewell, Glenn;
Best Back: halfback Greg Wood, Groves.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Franklin	4	1	0	Groves	3	2	0
Glenn	4	1	0	Oak Park	1	4	0
North Farmington	3	2	0	Thurston	0	5	0

GLENN

Coach Bob Lusk has 23 letterwinners returning from last year's 7-2 team around which to build this season's. One of those returning for the Rockets, who were also co-champions of the Northwest Surban League, will be Bob Russ, defensive back, who led the team with six interceptions. Also back in the secondary is Roger Pollack, leading tackler with 63.
GLENN (7-2)—12 Garden City 6; 7 Livonia Stevenson 20; 13 Oak Park 7; 19 Groves 14; 20 Thurston 18; 13 N. Farmington 7; 7 Franklin 25; 20 Taylor 6; 20 Carlson 13.
RETURNEES—Andy Roan, T; Bruce Greene, C; Mac Domke, FB; Bob Russ, DHB; Tom Cantanzarite, T; Cliff Roberts, T; Tim Ottewell, G; Andy Felan, E; Mike Coger, E; Andy St. Charles, E; Phil Hoskins, E; Jack Wotring, E; Mike Srnich, FB; Darrell Newsome, T; Mel Straight, C; Bob Morton, E; Grec Hubbard, FLB; Don Marhoffer, QB; Roger Pollack, TB; Claude Gersky, T; Brent Hurst, E; Larry Story, T.
SCHEDULE—at Garden City West; Stevenson; Franklin; at Oak Park; Groves; at Thurston; N. Farmington; at Taylor; at Belleville.

NORTH FARMINGTON

The Raiders were within a game of the title last season, and will need help from the reserve ranks to fill all the holes left by graduation if they want to make the top this season. Returnees include Dave Negri, Rick Toohey, Tony Garcia, John Thomas, Paul Adamian, Bob Winberry, Dennis Anderson, Dan Emmitt, Jim Griswold, Mark Otis and Chuck Button.

GROVES

Falcon coach Jim Kinnison has three lettermen returning in the backfield, but has some depth problems in the line. The Falcons are bigger this fall, but won't be as fast as they've been in previous seasons. Greg Wood (165) rushed for 862 yards last season and should again lead the Falcons' running attack with some help from fullback Dave Stacy. Quarterback Mark Shada (170) will again direct the attack so Kinnison has few backfield worries.
GROVES (4-4-1)—19 Seaholm 30; 6 Cranbrook 0; 20 Oak Park 13; 0 Franklin 12; 28 Thurston 0; 14 Glenn 19; 26 N. Farmington 18; 0 Berkley 0; 14 Southfield 21.
RETURNEES—Mark Shada, QB; Greg Wood, HB; Dave Stacy, FB; Rob Karp, LB; Scott Farley, G; Norm Fleece, T; Jack Balgenorth, E; Dan Balchanas, E; Steve Chudik, E; Steve McAlpine, T.

OAK PARK

The outlook is bleak for Oak Park coach Tom Scullen and his Redskins. The squad was hit heavy by graduation.
OAK PARK (3-6)—26 Bloomfield Hills 20; 6 Madison Heights Lamphere 14; 7 Glenn 12; 6 North Farmington 35; 13 Birmingham Groves 20; 13 Franklin 35; 12 Thurston 24; 21 Garden City East 0; 7 Berkley 6.

DETROIT THURSTON

The Eagles have fair size and good speed among their 15 returning letterwinners who finished fifth in the league last fall after losing to the co-champions by a combined total of only seven points. Coach Bill McDonald also has Bill Bashara (195), a quarterback-halfback who transferred from Dearborn Divine Child where he lettered three times. Robin Spicer (215) is a big linebacker, while other big linemen are guard Tom Hannon (200) and tackle Jon Lindh (200).
THURSTON (2-6)—0 Southfield 26; 12 Highland Park 7; 6 North Farmington 20; 18 Glenn 20; 0 Birmingham Groves 28; 24 Oak Park 12; 6 Redford Union 12; 7 Livonia Franklin 12.
RETURNEES—Paul Sersen, G; Craig Mutch, FB; Robin Spicer, LB; Bill Simescu, HB; Dave Mineau, HB; Jerry Falat, HB; Tim Carr, QB; Tom Hannon, G; Bill Swiger, HB; Pat Carothers, LB; Dan Butler, HB; Jon Lindh, T; Andy Van Brabant, HB; Tim Bradley, QB; Mike Hahl, G.
SCHEDULE—Cherry Hill; at Highland Park; at Oak Park; North Farmington; at Livonia Franklin; John Glenn; at Birmingham Groves; at Redford Union.

FRANKLIN tied for the title last fall with Glenn, and appears to be in the running for all the marbles again this season.

NORTHWESTERN C CONFERENCE

Though Elk Rapids suffered heavy losses to graduation, it still appears to be a better club than Benzie Central, who will try to dethrone the defending champs this fall.
Best Lineman: tackle Roger Ashmore, Elk Rapids;
Best Back: halfback Kevin Gribi, Elk Rapids.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Elk Rapids	7	0	0	Glen Lake	3	4	0
Benzie	6	1	0	Leelanau	2	5	0
Kalkaska	5	2	0	Frankfort	1	6	0
Mesick	4	3	0	Brethren	0	7	0

ELK RAPIDS

Elk Rapids comes off an unbeaten season with a squad depleted by graduation. The Elks whipped eight straight opponents on their way to the conference title. All-league halfback Kevin Gribi is among five lettermen returning. Gribi averaged 12.3 yards per carry while grinding out 690 yards and scoring 61 points. Junior tackle Roger Ashmore at 210 pounds, and senior tackle Les Hubbell at 190 pounds lend some size to the line.
ELK RAPIDS (8-0)—12 Mancelona 6; 13 Frankfort 0; 20 Glen Lake 0; 18 Benzie 14; 21 Leelanau 0; 51 Brethren 7; 25 Mesick 0; 19 Kalkaska 7.
RETURNEES—Roger Ashmore, T; Kevin Gribi, B; Keith Morrison, B; Les Hubbell, T; Winn Powers, G.
SCHEDULE—at Mancelona; Glen Lake; Leelanau; Benzie; at Brethren; Mesick; Kalkaska; at Frankfort.

KALKASKA

Kalkaska has only four returning lettermen from last season's 5-2 team.
Coach Bill Bricker has a wholesale rebuilding job if the Blazers are to be in contention.
KALKASKA (5-2)—19 East Jordan 13; 39 Brethren 0; 43 Mesick 14; 13 Benzie 23; 24 Frankfort 14; 24 Glen Lakes 14; 33 Leelanau 0; 6 Elk Rapids 19.
RETURNEES—Al McCool, E; Bob Rowell, C; Dick Neihardt, FB; Mike Neihardt, G.
SCHEDULE—at East Jordan; Mesick; at Benzie; at Frankfort; Glen Lake; Leelanau; at Elk Rapids; Brethren.

GLEN ARBOR-LEELANAU

Coach Chuck Shinn is looking for improvement from his 1967 club, though how much it'll improve is questionable. Bruce Bartlett returns at quarterback, Jeff Scott at end, Bill Hohlock, Bill Egloff, Rick Janes, and Tom Jacobson in the interior line and Harry DeWitt, Ed Barry and J. C. Arnow in the backfield. Several transfers could also help.

FRANKFORT

Frankfort's Panthers can only go up after last year's 1-7 record and with 13 lettermen returning, coach Jim Buzzell's squad could rise rapidly. The flanker positions should be strong with Randy Nielsen, George Jackson, and Don Crawford all returning, though lack of interior linemen may hurt. Guards Bob Allen and Randy Gilbert are back, but there's nothing else except 190-pound center Steve Willey.

FRANKFORT (1-7)—0 Merrill 33; 0 Elk Rapids 13; 6 Brethren 0; 6 Mesick 25; 12 Kalkaska 26; 19 Benzie Central 34; 0 Leelanau 19.

RETURNEES—Don Crawford, E; Steve Jeffs, HB; Steve Willey, C; Bob Blok, HB; Randy Gilbert, G; Bob Allen, G; Randy Nielson, E; George Jackson, E; Lyle Toms, LB.

SCHEDULE—Merrill; at Brethren; at Mesick; Kalkaska; Benzie Central; at Glen Lake; Leelanau; Elk Rapids.

BRETHREN

The Bobcats had a rough time in '67 with an 0-8 record. With 20 returning lettermen, the outlook for '68 seems better. Brethren brings back seven seniors and 13 juniors.

BRETHREN (0-8)—13 Onekama 26; 0 Frankfort 6; 13 Glen Lake 20; 6 Leelanau 6; 7 Elk Rapids 7; 6 Benzie Central 6; 0 Mesick 0; 0 Kalkaska 0.

RETURNEES—Tom Guenthardt, T; Roger Belic, G; Frank Dickson, QB; Dave Kendall, FB; Ray Zavada, C; Dennis Hoch, C; Terry Beard, T; Tony Starkey, HB; Steve Roger, E; Allen Grossmikle, E; Rich Howes, QB; Dennis Lagerquist, E; Kenny Fralic, E; Randy Wilson, G; Griag Bend, T; Lanny Russell, T; Allen Klingelsmith, E; Lee Nelson, HB; Bob Lynch, G; Doug Houg, HB.

SCHEDULE—Onekama; at Frankfort; Glen Lake; Leelanau; at Elk Rapids; at Benzie; Mesick; at Kalkaska.

KINGSLEY AREA

Kingsley Area institutes football in a moderate way, playing several JV teams preparing for the 1969 debut in the conference.

Until a full-time head coach is secured, Jim Perkins, the varsity basketball coach, is in charge.

About 36 boys have indicated an interest and prospects for the future are bright.

BENZIE CENTRAL will try to muster enough talent together to edge past Elk Rapids into the title this season.

MESICK and GLEN LAKE, both middle-class teams a year ago, appear to be about the same again this fall.

OAKLAND A LEAGUE

Troy is just a bit better than a number of other championship possibilities—Clawson, Rochester, Madison and Avondale.

Best Lineman: end John Havelko, Madison;
Best Back: halfback Chuck Gillespie, Troy.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Troy	6	1	0	Romeo	3	4	0
Clawson	5	2	0	Avondale	2	5	0
Rochester	5	2	0	Utica	2	5	0
Madison	5	2	0	Lake Orion	0	7	0

TROY

Conference champion Troy returns 16 lettermen for another shot at title honors. While coach Bob McElreath in his ninth season feels his team has only a fair outlook, all-conference halfback Chuck Gillespie returns, as well as outstanding quarterback Kevin Brown and third-year varsity halfback Jim Mitchell.

TROY (7-1)—21 Berkley 20; 6 Madison 25; 14 Lake Orion 2; 28 Avondale 6; 21 Utica 19; 12 Rochester 0; 20 Clawson 7; 7 Romeo 6.

RETURNEES—C. Gillespie, HB; J. Mitchell, HB; K. Brown, QB; G. Bishop, C; P. Young, G; K. Koehler, T; V. Lenivov, G; D. Boyd, E; R. Boyd, E; D. Malone, E; B. Faber, B; R. Losey, B; J. Goodwin, B; R. Lichtle, T; J. Kauffman, FB; D. Brill, T.

SCHEDULE—at Berkley; Madison; Lake Orion; at Avondale; Utica; at Rochester; at Clawson; Romeo.

CLAWSON

The Trojans missed the conference championship last season by only one game. This year better things are in scope because of 16 returning lettermen.

Coach Bob Hamilton likes to stress defense. Last season, opponents were shut out three times and were limited to only one touchdown on two other occasions.

CLAWSON (5-2)—12 Utica 13; 7 Rochester 6; 27 Lake Orion 0; 12 Romeo 0; 14 Madison 6; 6 Troy 20; 12 Avondale 0.

RETURNEES—Chuck Currie, E; Marty Giorlando, T; Greg Vlanakis, QB; Bill Weakley, HB; Mike Heist, QB; Don Songer, E; Doug Moseley, T; Bill Miller, C; Rod Hanonen, E; Tom Davis, G; Larry Niedowicz, HB; John Skowron, FB; Pete Dahl, HB; Lee Lamothe, LB; Bill Saylor, LB; Larry Bunn, G.

SCHEDULE—Lamphere; Utica; at Rochester; at Lake Orion; Romeo; at Madison; Troy; Avondale.

ROCHESTER

A second place tie in the conference was the result of a fine '67 season at Rochester. John Major (230 pounds) returns for his final season at tackle where he is a standout. Quarterback Mike Scally is back from last season and he's ready for another year as a starter. J. R. Nowels provides a fine target for Scally to throw to.

Other candidates include Jim Davis, Russ Gill, Chris Lawson, John Major, Mike Maten, Art Schupbach, Terry Mow, Paul Ormiston, Brad Thorpe, Carl Sheehan, Paul Kowalski, Mike Moeller, Mike Fitzwilson, Don Grondin, Mike Hall, Dave Ludwick, Tom Meyers, Ted Malkasian, Jim Barrett, Les Littlejohn, Rich Krumrine, Bud Bellairs, Jack Sherry and Chris Seiner.

MADISON

If coach Frank Crowell finds a suitable quarterback, then the Madison Eagles should be flying high in 1968. Two big reasons for the optimism are end John Havelko and halfback Doug Meadows. Over-all, the Eagles have 13 returning experienced players.

MADISON (6-2-1)—14 Warren 6; 25 Troy 0; 19 Avondale 13; 32 Utica 13; 12 Rochester 13; 6 Clawson 14; 37 Romeo 6; 20 Lake Orion 0; 19 Fitzgerald 19.

RETURNEES—John Havelko, E; Garrett Holcomb, E; Jim Archer, T; Dick Arch, T; Dan Cooper, T; Rog Milliken, G; Jerry Caudill, G; Don Kramer, C; Doug Meadows, HB; Mike Gargales, FB; Gary Morrow, HB; John Angelo, FB; Bernie Stillmer, HB.

SCHEDULE—Warren; at Troy; Avondale; Utica; at Rochester; Clawson; at Romeo; at Lake Orion; at Fitzgerald.

ROMEO

Romeo is under new coaching reins. The Bulldogs return only nine letterwinners, including fullback Gary Lebendig and halfbacks John Woodcock and Fred Castle. Clearing the way up front are 200-pound tackles Norman Fay, Don Ritter and Joe Malburg.

ROMEO (3-5)—7 Lapeer 6; 6 Avondale 14; 21 Utica 0; 6 Rochester 19; 0 Clawson 12; 6 Madison 37; 6 Troy 7; 27 Utica Stevenson 0.

RETURNEES—Ron Tabor, K; Gary Lebendig, FB; John Woodcock, HB; Don Ritter, T; Norman Fay, T; Fred Castle, HB; Joe Malburg, T; Dan Burzynski, E; Mike Semp, QB.

SCHEDULE—at Lapeer; Avondale; at Utica; Rochester; at Clawson; at Lake Orion; Madison; at Troy; Marysville.

AVONDALE

With experience at every position, the Yellow Jackets hope to move up from fifth place in the conference. Coach Bob Young has 17 lettermen to work with. Gary Price (190) is a two-way player at fullback and defensive end. Danny Barker (237) is the middle guard on defense.

AVONDALE (3-6)—21 Milford 31; 14 Romeo 6; 14 Madison 19; 6 Troy 28; 21 Lake Orion 6; 6 Utica 0; 7 Rochester 19; 0 Clawson 13; 13 Marysville 26.

RETURNEES—Gary Monroe, G; Gary Chevaliar, G; Gary Patterson, C; Mike Gorang, T; Dwight McLaughlin, E; Larry Davis, QB-DB; Clyde McCauley, TB; Gary Price, FB-DE; Billy Lester, FB-DB; Marry Ramsey, T; John Wiliford, G; Stu Fraser, TB; John Stork, E; Jim Stork, G; Harold Clason, E; Allen Harden, G; Danny Barker, MG.

SCHEDULE—Milford; Romeo; Madison; Troy; Lake Orion; Utica; Rochester; Clawson; Lamphere.

UTICA

With 21 lettermen returning, coach Bob Dilday's Chieftains are expecting to improve on their 3-6 record last year. Key to the Chieftains' offense is all-league quarterback Rob Dilday. Outstanding linemen are two honorable mention league tackles, Don Drum, a 230-pounder and Ralph Dove, a 220-pounder.

UTICA (3-6)—7 Centerline 21; 13 Clawson 12; 0 Romeo 21; 6 Madison 32; 19 Troy 21; 0 Avondale 6; 7 Lake Orion 0; 0 Rochester 12; 20 Southlake 13.

RETURNEES—Greg Powell, C; Frank Monzo, E; Juel Bjerke, HB; Ralph Dove, T; Rob Dilday, QB; Don Drum, T; Bill Reynolds, G; Richard Redd, HB; Dave Walsh, G; Bill Eadle, E; Greg Carpenter, G; Larry Kunarski, FB.

SCHEDULE—at Center Line; at Clawson; Romeo; at Madison; at Troy; Avondale; Lake Orion; at Rochester; Utica Stevenson.

LAKE ORION

The Dragons are coming off a 1-8 season and '68 is likely to be a year of experimenting for new coach Doug Holcomb, son of former Northwestern University athletic director Stu Holcomb. One bright spot is the return of end Rick Toles, a 6-2, 190-pound senior. The Dragons became a scrappy bunch last season and if that spirit carries over, they'll improve on that '67 record.

LAKE ORION (1-8-0)—19 Waterford Kettering 39; 6 Rochester 39; 2 Troy 13; 0 Clawson 27; 6 Avondale 20; 0 Romeo 42; 0 Utica 7; 0 Madison 0; 14 Oxford 0.

SCHEDULE—at Waterford Kettering; Rochester; at Troy; Clawson; at Avondale; Romeo; at Utica; Madison; at Oxford.

OTTAWA-KENT LEAGUE—BLUE DIVISION

Kelloggsville and Northview will battle for the top spot, but unheralded Zeeland could be a big surprise.

Best Lineman: tackle Mike Velving, Kelloggsville;
Best Back: quarterback Dirk Schrotenboer, Zeeland.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Kelloggsville	4	1	1	Kenowa	3	3	0
Northview	4	2	0	Lee	1	4	1
Zeeland	3	2	1	South Christian	1	5	0
Byron Center	3	2	1				

KELLOGGSVILLE

Coach Joe Ruschmann has 14 letterwinners returning from last season's conference champions. The defense should be especially strong, with six regulars and four other veterans available. The Rockets have a pair of big defensive tackles returning in Mike Velving (6-3, 205) and Dirk Boeske (6-0, 215). Velving was all-conference last fall. Jeff Dailey returns at quarterback along with halfback Mike Crouch and fullback John Stuba.

KELLOGGSVILLE (5-2-1)—14 Hudsonville 6; 0 Byron Center 0; 7 G. R. Lee 6; 7 G. R. Northview 26; 12 G. R. Kenowa Hills 7; 19 Zeeland 13; 25 G. R. S. Christian 12; 0 Wyoming 20.

RETURNEES—Jeff Dailey, QB; John Stuba, FB; Gary Owens, HB; Randy Lewis, LB; Bob Bishoff, G; Clare Sherwood, G; Dirk Boeske, DT; Bob Souter, E; Jim Oudendyke, T; Mike Velving, T; Al Lesert, E; Lou Grego, E; Mike Crouch, HB; Al Johnson, HB.

SCHEDULE—at Hudsonville; at Byron Center; G. R. Lee; at G. R. Northview; Zeeland; at G. R. Kenowa Hills; G. R. South Christian; Wyoming.

NORTHVIEW

Twenty-five returning lettermen is a bright spot in any team's upcoming season. Northview also has veterans returning at every position which also enhances prospects. A halfback and fullback are missing which hurts, but hopefully not much.

NORTHVIEW (5-4)—0 Comstock Park 12; 12 Lee 13; 12 Byron Center 0; 27 Kelloggsville 6; 6 Kentwood 3; 13 S. Christian 7; 14 Zeeland 12; 0 Kenowa Hills 7; 0 Creston 13.

RETURNEES—Mike Claffey, HB; Kim Huyser, HB; Doug Applegate, HB; Jim Palmquist, QB; Dale Stubbs, QB; Steve Zubrickas, QB; Bill Nelson, FB; Jeff Irving, FB; Pat MacLangs, E; Mike Dupey, E; Mike Brumley, E; Bob Averill, E; Mike Eves, E; John Zbikowski, E; Bob Bopp, E; Dennis Binaco, T; Mark Harley, T; Robb Urbanski, T; Roger Buffum, C; Don Gritter, C; Tom Schmitt, G; Greg Oatley, G; Tom Sorneson, G; Mark Bird, G; Don Petrovich, G.

SCHEDULE—Comstock Park; at Lee; Byron Center; Kelloggsville; at Kentwood; at South Christian; at Zeeland; Kenowa Hills; G. R. Creston.

ZEELAND

The combination of players coming up from an undefeated reserve team, plus many starters returning, could spell a winning season for the Chix. Coach Richard Cooke will be counting on Dirk Schrotenboer, Doug Barense, and Bruce DeGrauf, all outstanding players from '67, to pull his team toward the top of the conference.

ZEELAND (4-4-1)—19 Coopersville 13; 19 Kenowa Hills 13; 7 South Christian 0; 7 Hudsonville 19; 13 Kelloggsville 19; 7 Byron Center 0; 0 Wyoming Lee 0; 12 Northview 14; 7 West Ottawa 12.

RETURNEES—Kirk Zylstra, E; Rick Lampen, T; Steve TenHarmsel, T; Scott Hoover, T; Doug DePree, G; Bruce DeGraaf, C; Doug Barense, FB; Henry Wyngarden, FB; Dick Van Dorp, QB; Jack Roelofs, HB; Dirk Schrotenboer, QB.

SCHEDULE—at Coopersville; Kenowa Hills; at South Christian; Hudsonville; at Kelloggsville; Byron Center; at Lee; Northview; at West Ottawa.

BYRON CENTER

Rebuilding is the word for the Bulldogs, who've won just five games in the past three seasons. Coach Gerald Waddell needs experience, what with 17 players from last year's club having graduated. Middle guard Greg Stephens is the best player on the club. He was all-conference a year ago. The Bulldogs have three other fine guards in Craig Sackrison, Rog Homrich and Joe Zomerlei. Jerry Wormeestor returns at quarterback.

BYRON CENTER (3-4-1)—7 Caledonia 13; 0 Kelloggsville 0; 0 Northview 12; 19 Kenowa Hills 0; 9 Lee 7; 0 Zeeland 7; 0 Wayland 19; 13 S. Christian 7.

RETURNEES—Rick Muldee, E; Don Chase, G; Craig Sackrison, G; Ron Chase, G; Joe Zomerlei, T; Mike Ferner, B; Jerry Wormeestor, QB; Greg Stephens, MG-T; Abe Moerland, T; Roger Homrich, T.

SCHEDULE—at Caledonia; Kelloggsville; at Northview; at Kenowa Hills; Lee; at Zeeland; Wayland; S. Christian.

GRAND RAPIDS KENOWA HILLS

1968 should produce one of the finest lines Kenowa Hills has ever had, with eight letterwinners who were linemen back. The backfield is light but quick, led by quarterback Randy Miller and tailback Jim Fritz. Back-up men are needed. If Kenowa finds them, it could be a good year.

KENOWA HILLS (5-3)—12 Spring Lake 6; 13 Zeeland 19; 19 Rogers 13; 0 Byron Center 18; 18 S. Christian 6; 7 Kelloggsville 13; 7 Northview 0; 19 Lee 7.

RETURNEES—Tony Dunneback, T; Alex Mukans, G; Tom Birtles, G; Karl Olexa, TB; Karl Haisma, G; Randy Miller, QB; Don Andrews, T; Elden Bagley, E; Tim Van Selters, WB; Jim Fritz, TB; Don Kloostra, E; Tony Wolkow, E.

SCHEDULE—at Spring Lake; at Zeeland; Rogers; Byron Center; at S. Christian; Kelloggsville; at Northview; Lee.

GRAND RAPIDS SOUTH CHRISTIAN

Optimism is high at Christian for improvement over last season's cellar dwelling club. Most of this season's on-field performers, however, will lack experience, at least at the start. Running backs are present, but a line is needed to open holes. Coach John Bekkering is hopeful that barring injuries, his club can finish somewhere among the top four clubs in the league.

SOUTH CHRISTIAN (2-6)—0 Kentwood 28; 27 Caledonia 9; 0 Zeeland 7; 28 Lee 13; 0 Kenowa Hills 18; 7 Northview 13; 7 Kelloggsville 28; 7 Byron Center 13.

RETURNEES—Jim Olthouse, C; Bob Speyer, G; Rog Veldhouse, G; Dan Worrell, T; Tom Burgess, E; Bob Brummel, E-T; Tom De Kraker, QB; Steve Van Dyke, DE; Dale Vander Molen, G.

SCHEDULE—Kentwood; at Caledonia; Zeeland; at Lee; Kenowa Hills; Northview; at Kelloggsville; Byron Center.

LEE will be in for another long season, unless wholesale changes can be made in the thinned ranks that have found victory elusive in the past.

OTTAWA-KENT LEAGUE—RED DIVISION

Godwin Heights is the outstanding entry.

Best Lineman: tackle Dan Mosher, Forest Hills;
Best Back: halfback Greg Dalman, Holland West Ottawa.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Godwin Heights	6	0	0	West Ottawa	2	4	0
Wyoming Park	5	1	0	Forest Hills	1	5	0
Kentwood	4	2	0	Rogers	0	6	0
Hudsonville	3	3	0				

GRAND RAPIDS GODWIN HEIGHTS

Fourteen rugged lettermen return to provide a solid '68 nucleus. Quarterback Jose Hernandez (165 pounds), and halfbacks John Ward (147), Ken Rosek (135) and Gary Harmsen (195) are back, providing the Wolverines with an experienced backfield.

GODWIN HEIGHTS (8-0-1)—9 G. R. Creston 0; 13 Wyoming Park 7; 20 Kentwood 7; 32 Rogers 0; 12 Forest Hills 8; 26 Hudsonville 12; 25 Muskegon Mona Shores 0; 26 Holland W. Ottawa 0; 6 Holland 6.

RETURNEES—Doug Hearner, T; Jose Hernandez, QB; Dana Snoap, E; Chuck Gonzales, G; Dale Zalaorals, G; Carl Nelson, C; Tom Melville, G; John Ward, HB; Ken Rosek, HB; Gary Harmsen, HB; Phil DeZwaan, HB; Dennis Swanson, C; Roger Olson, FB.

SCHEDULE—G. R. Creston; Wyoming Park; at Kentwood; at Rogers; Forest Hills; at Hudsonville; Muskegon Mona Shores; Holland W. Ottawa; at Holland.

WYOMING PARK

Coach Jack Ver Duin faces a rebuilding year with only seven lettermen and two regulars returning. Last year the Vikings finished second in the Ottawa-Kent circuit with a 5-1 record. Tom Spelman is a two-year regular returning at defensive tackle. The team will be much smaller than in past years.

WYOMING PARK (7-2)—25 Grand Rapids Lee 0; 7 Godwin Heights 13; 14 Forest Hills 6; 26 Kentwood 7; 27 Hudsonville 7; 26 Grand Rapids Rogers 12; 13 West Ottawa 0; 20 Kelloggsville 0; 0 Rockford 13.

RETURNEES—Tom Spelman, T; Larry Corbett, T; Russ Kornoelje, G; Cal Andree, QB; Bill Goozen, LB; Tim LaHuis, E; Steve Wiltjer, HB.

SCHEDULE—Grand Rapids Lee; at Godwin Heights; Forest Hills; Kentwood; at Hudsonville; at Grand Rapids Rogers; West Ottawa; at Kelloggsville; at Rockford.

KENTWOOD

Eighteen lettermen return for the Falcons who were third in the conference last fall. Coach Robert Friberg welcomes eight defensive and six offensive regulars back. Top returnee is linebacker George Zender (6-0, 200) who was all-conference and had 80 tackles last year. The two big holes to fill are at quarterback on offense and middle linebacker on defense.

KENTWOOD (6-3)—28 G. R. South Christian 7; 33 Forest Hills 6; 7 Godwin Heights 20; 7 Wyoming Park 26; 3 G. R. Northview 6; 48 West Ottawa 13; 25 Grand Rapids Rogers

12; 21 Hudsonville 18; 21 Delton 14.
RETURNEES—Mike DeSota, G; Mark Gathercole, LB-QB; Don Barnes, LB; Tom Pullen, K-B; Norm Byram, HB; Jim Kelsey, HB-G; Tim Booth, HB; Tony Scalici, HB; Mike Roush, C; Jim Emms, G; Chuck Holkeboer, G; Gary Gysin, E; Mike Coon, G; George Zender, G-LB; Larry Teeter, T; Gary Frankforter, E; Tom Barbee, E-LB; Dave Stinson, T.
SCHEDULE—at G. R. South Christian; at Forest Hills; Godwin Heights; at Wyoming Park; G. R. Northview; at West Ottawa; G. R. Rogers; Hudsonville; Delton.

HUDSONVILLE

Coach Jack Rabine is optimistic with 13 lettermen back from the 1967 Eagles who finished fourth in their division. Ron Bosch (190) is an excellent two-way performer at end where he led the team defensively in tackles and caught 13 passes on offense for 189 yards and three TD's. Halfback Dave Lammers was fifth in tackles last fall. He made three interceptions and also returned two punts for TD's.
HUDSONVILLE (4-4)—6 Kelloggsville 14; 19 G. R. Rogers 7; 31 Holland West Ottawa 13; 19 Zeeland 7; 7 Wyoming Park 28; 13 Godwin Heights 26; 19 G. R. Forest Hills 18; 18 G. R. Kentwood 21.
RETURNEES—Russ Elliot, B; Gary Kuiper, B; Mel Kreuze, B; Jay Vruggink, B; Dave Lammers, B; Ron Bosch, E; Bob Van Farowe, T; Craig Vork, C; Bill Bolhuis, G; Ron Nienhuis, G; Steve Befius, G; Larry DeYoung, T; Charles Grant, T.
SCHEDULE—Kelloggsville; G. R. Rogers; at Holland West Ottawa; at Zeeland; Wyoming Park; Godwin Heights; at G. R. Forest Hills; at G. R. Kentwood.

HOLLAND WEST OTTAWA

With 18 lettermen back, coach Ron Wetherbee is optimistic about improving on last season's fifth place finish. Ten starters return, led by Greg Dalman (5-11, 185) at halfback and linebacker. Dalman rushed for 485 yards and a 4.6 average along with catching 14 passes for 244 additional yards. On defense, he led the Panthers in tackles. They have two big ends in Dave Overway (6-2, 180) and Len Loncki (6-5, 200). Quarterback Jim Visser also returns.
WEST OTTAWA (5-4)—32 Fruitport 0; 19 Spring Lake 12; 13 Hudsonville 31; 40 Grand Rapids Forest Hills 12; 20 Grand Rapids Rogers 6; 13 Grand Rapids Kentwood 48; 0 Wyoming Park 13; 0 Godwin Heights 26; 12 Zeeland 7.
RETURNEES—Chuck Klies, DHB; Jim Visser, QB; Greg Dalman, HB-LB; Wayne Zych, FB; Brad Comport, C; Roger DeWaard, G; Bob Koeskool, HB; Dale Brower, G; Al Chavez, G; Bill Jaques, G; Dennis Wilson, G; Wayne Kamphuis, T; Darryl Mitchel, T; Dean Achterhof, T; Dave Overway, E; Vincent Nieboer, E; Len Loncki, E; Scott Bruursema, E.
SCHEDULE—Fruitport; at Spring Lake; Hudsonville; at Grand Rapids Forest Hills; Grand Rapids Rogers; Grand Rapids Kentwood; at Wyoming Park; at Godwin Heights; Zeeland.

FOREST HILLS

The Rangers are looking forward to an improved '68 season. Seventeen lettermen will return from last year's 2-6 squad. Dan Mosher, an all-conference tackle, and Randy Simon, a fullback, are two outstanding players returning.
FOREST HILLS (2-6)—0 Rockford 20; 6 Kentwood 33; 6 Wyoming Park 14; 12 West Ottawa 41; 6 Godwin 13; 18 Lee 12; 18 Hudsonville 19; 12 Rogers 0.
RETURNEES—Fred Banta, HB; Bill Cardinel, G; Larry Cardinel, G; Steve Cribley, E; Tom Dygert, C; Stan Grochawalski, HB; Dick Jerrills, G; Paul Jenks, T; Mike Krause, G; Dan Mosher, T; Mark Noren, C; Randy Simon, FB; Tom Teft E; Bob VandenBos, E; Brad VanSluyters, E; Scott Wingier, QB; Jim Witzel, E.
SCHEDULE—Rockford; Kentwood; at Wyoming Park; West Ottawa; at Godwin; at Lee; Hudsonville; at Rogers.

ROGERS

With only seven seniors on the Golden Hawks squad this season, coach Dutch Zeinstra's charges will sport a youthful look in their quest to top last year's 1-7 record. Rick Bultema (165 pounds), linebacker-quarterback, and halfback Jerry Ybema (160) head the list of ten returning monogram winners. Also back are tackles Dave Scott (235) and Tom Rosenberger (230).
ROGERS (1-7)—7 Sparta 6; 6 Hudsonville 19; 13 Kenowa Hills 19; 0 G. R. Godwin Heights 32; 12 Kentwood 26; 6 West Ottawa 19; 12 Wyoming Park 20; 0 Forest Hills 12.
RETURNEES—Rick Bultema, QB; Jerry Ybema, HB; Jerry Burkley, HB; Tim Telder, E; Tom Rosenberger, T; Dave Scott, T; Dick Devos, T; Lyle Breen, G; Bob Pinder, C; Dan NoseWorthy, E.
SCHEDULE—Sparta; at Hudsonville; at Kenowa Hills; G. R. Godwin Heights; at West Ottawa; Wyoming Park; at Kentwood; Forest Hills.

PIONEER CONFERENCE

Olivet is the best bet, but Bellevue is ready to take over at the first opportunity.

Best Lineman: tackle Rich Barry, Belleveue;
Best Back: halfback Tom Hendrick, Olivet.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Olivet	4	0	0	Climax-Scott	1	2	1
Bellevue	3	1	0	Springport	0	4	0
Boys Training, Lansing	1	2	1				

OLIVET

Coach Orrel Baun must find some key replacements for top players from last year's fine 7-1-1 squad, but Baun does have 14 returning lettermen to work with. Quarterback Randy VanDyke, who scored 12 touchdowns and passed for six others, graduated, but halfback Tom Hendrix (175 pounds) is back. Hendrick averaged over 100 yards per game rushing in 1967.
OLIVET (7-1-1)—19 DeWitt 0; 26 Springport 6; 34 Camden-Frontier 0; 26 Bellevue 19; 34 B.T.S. 6; 19 Climax 0; 0 Maple Valley 6, 13 Dansville 13; 19 Tekonsha 6.
RETURNEES—Chris Bowen, E; Darryl Walker, G; Larry Murphy, C; Garry O'Dell, DHB; Mike Patkon, T; Roger Churchill, E; Larry Loveless, C; Jeff Heisler, DE; Ken Heddon, HB; Marvin Maurer, T; Randy Horn, QB; Tom Hendrick, HB; Jack Syers, T; Gaylord Kimball, G.
SCHEDULE—at DeWitt; Springport; at North Adams; at Bellevue; at B.T.S.; Climax; at Maple Valley; Ovid-Elsie; Tekonsha.

BELLEVUE

Bellevue is in for a fine season according to coach Tom Gallant. The Broncos have the entire line returning including Rich Barry who at 6-foot-2 and 205 pounds was all-conference last year as a sophomore tackle. Randy Bochmer, another 200-pound tackle, and Rich Merriman, a 150-pound corner linebacker with good lateral movement also return. Bellevue also welcomes back quarterback Mike Olmstead and halfbacks Kent Bass and Merriman.
BELLEVUE (5-4)—13 Homer 6; 7 Parma West. 14; 13 Springport 6; 7 Maple Valley 6; 25 Climax 6; 6 V'cook Lake 45; 6 Springfield 30; 19 Olivet 25; 19 Lansing BTS 0.
RETURNEES—Rich Barry T; Randy Bochmer, T; Don Otto, C; Doug Doerr, G; Kent Bass, HB; Mike Olmstead, QB; Rich Merriman, HB; Greg Horn, E; Don Cummins, E; John Graham, T.
SCHEDULE—Homer; Parma Western; Springport; Olivet; Climax; Springfield; Lansing Boys Training; Maple Valley.

LANSING BOYS TRAINING

Spike Klein has one of the state's hardest jobs in coaching the Beavers because he never knows the make-up of the team until fall practice. Returning lettermen are unpredictable.
LANSING BOYS (2-4-1)—0 Dansville 27; 6 Climax-Scott 6; 13 Morrice 7; 7 Olivet 34; 25 Springport 19; 0 New Lothrop 13; 0 Bellevue 19.
SCHEDULE—Climax-Scott; at Morrice; Olivet; at Springport; at Bellevue; New Lothrop.

CLIMAX-SCOTT

Coach Phil Suedmeyer is optimistic his Panthers can improve on last season's 1-5-2 record. "Things look real good," he says. "Theres a lot of returning lettermen and a lot of experience." The Panthers have four returning all-conference selections in defensive end Terry Stuck, linebackers Terry Mleczewski and Jack Roe and offensive back Jerry Stuck.
CLIMAX-SCOTTS (1-5-2)—9 Mendon 27; 12 Mattawan 6; 6 Boys Training 6; 6 Bellevue 28; 0 Olivet 20; 6 Battle Creek St. Philip 35; 0 North Adams 20; 29 Springport 19.
RETURNEES—Terry Mleczewski, LB; Terry Stuck, DE; Jerry Stuck, HB; Jerry Goldsmith, DE; Tom Lyster, QB; Tom Stout, T; Chuck Piper, G; Mike Mitchell, OE; Bob Jones, B; Steve Longman, L; Gary Longman, E-QB; Jack Roe, S; Bill Lewis, C; Jim Miller, B; David Osborn LB.
SCHEDULE—at Mendon; at Boys Training; Springport; at Bellevue; at Olivet; B. C. at Philip; North Adams; at Marcellus.

SPRINGPORT

With ten returning lettermen back from last season, Springport's outlook is promising. Last season, coach Alan Kitto's Spartans had a dismal 0-8-1 year, but should improve in '68. Tackles Randy Taber and John Tuber along with guard Jim Sandusky will anchor an experienced line.
SPRINGPORT (0-8-1)—12 Potterville 25; 6 Olivet 25; 6 Bellevue 18; 0 Lawton 12; 19 Climax-Scotts 19; 19 Lansing Boys Training 24; 7 Saranac 9; 6 Williamston 12; 6 Pittsford 12.
RETURNEES—Randy Taber, T; John Tuber, T; Steve Keeler, E; John Yburra, E; Dick Brecht, T; Milo Southworth, G; Jim Sandusky, G; Dan Merritt, G; Dan Lindon, DE; Brian Chamberlain, HB; Jim Wood, HB; Gary Kock, HB.
SCHEDULE—Potterville; Olivet; Bellevue; Lawton; Climax-Scotts; Boys Training; Saranac; Waldron.

RED ARROW CONFERENCE

Watervliet is the best bet, because of more experienced returning players than any of the other top schools from last year.

Best Lineman: end Ron Haskins, Eau Claire;
Best Back: halfback Steve Ives, St. Joseph Catholic.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Watervliet	8	0	0	Eau Claire	3	5	0
Galien	7	1	0	New Buffalo	2	6	0
Decatur	6	2	0	Benton Harbor St. John	1	7	0
Hartford	5	3	0				
St. Joseph Catholic	4	4	0	Bridgman	0	8	0

WATERVLIET

New athletic facilities and 14 returning lettermen make coach Gerland Barchett look at the 1968 season with optimism. The Panthers will play in a new stadium, bowl-shaped and hilled on three sides, and are headed by all-conference gridders Joe Frontzcack (190 pounds) and Ted Olmstead (215). Also returning are second-team performers Dave Johnson (165), Dave Day (150) and Jim Kolenko (155) and 256-pound tackle Craig Cole.

WATERVLIET (8-1)—26 St. Joseph Catholic 19; 6 Galien 0; 13 Eau Claire 0; 27 New Buffalo 13; 14 Hartford 13; 20 St. John's 6; 38 Bridgman 13; 7 Coloma 40; 13 Decatur 0.

RETURNEES—Dave Sexton, HB; Dave Johnson, E; Dave Day, HB; Dan Olson, FB; Craig Camp, HB; Mark Bujack, HB; Jim Kolenko, HB; Craig Cole, T; Gary Tarantino, G; Joe Frontzcak, G; Don Benjamin, C; Ted Olmstead, T; Bob McVay, E; Greg Ruddel, T.

SCHEDULE—St. Joseph Catholic; at Galien; Eau Claire; at New Buffalo; Hartford; at St. John; Bridgman; at Decatur.

GALIEN

With only eight lettermen back from last season's squad which finished second in the conference, coach Bob Miller faces a rebuilding campaign. In the line, tackles Jim Canfield (200) and Reg Martine (200) both return, along with two guards and an end. The only returning back on offense is halfback Don Wolford. The Gaels' main strength appears to be in the line.

GALIEN (7-1)—31 Bridgman 0; 0 Watervliet 6; 6 Decatur 0; 14 St. Joseph Catholic 13; 26 Eau Claire 7; 8 New Buffalo 0; 20 Hartford 0; 19 St. John 7.

RETURNEES—Ron Habel, E; Jim Canfield, T; Russ Anderson, G; Don Hinman, G; Reg Martine, T; Ernie Chase, DHB; Jim Westveer, DHB; Don Wolford, HB.

SCHEDULE—at Bridgman; Watervliet; at Decatur; St. Joseph Catholic; at Eau Claire; New Buffalo; at Hartford; Benton Harbor St. John.

DECATUR

Coach Don Raterink is looking forward to at least a winning campaign in '68. Only eight lettermen are present, but there are plenty of outstanding newcomers. Included in the group are Greg Bombrys, Greg Notzen, Rick Overley, Phil Rhoem, Greg Gerkey, Sam Gipson, John Cerven, Don Emans, Carlton Drane, Terry Downey, Rick Leffler, Dave Stevens and Jim Abshazen.

RETURNEES—Mark High, QB; Lonnie Robinson, FB; Bob Ickes, C; Gene Tuka, G; Mike Sopher, T; Gary Howe, T; Dan Northrup, HB; Cornelius Overton, HB.

SCHEDULE—Marcellus; at St. Joseph Catholic; Galien; at Eau Claire; New Buffalo; at Hartford; Benton Harbor St. John; at Bridgman; Watervliet.

HARTFORD

Coach Ed Gustafson looks for better things this season, with two fine tackles and a couple of solid guards available. Tackle Larry Avery had over 70 unassisted tackles last season to lead the spirited defensive assault.

HARTFORD (6-3)—34 New Buffalo 7; 27 Lawrence 0; 35 B. H. St. John 0; 41 Bridgman 0; 13 Watervliet 14; 7 Decatur 26; 14 St. Joseph 0; 0 Galien 20; 6 Eau Claire 0.

RETURNEES—Don Lyons, S; Chuck Martin, QB; Bill Meachum, E; Gary Peters, LB; Bob Lowe, LB; George Fernham, G; Gary Stoddard, G; Larry Avery, T; Mark Olds, T; Ken Anderson, E; Rog Knight, T; Ron Jackson, E.

SCHEDULE—New Buffalo; Lawrence; St. John; Bridgman Watervliet; Decatur; St. Joseph; Galien; Eau Claire.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC

With only six lettermen back, coach Terry Rose's Ponies may have trouble duplicating last fall's sixth place finish in the circuit. Steve Ives returns at halfback where he led the team in rushing (5.6 avg.) and scoring. Both guards, one tackle, and the center return on offense. On defense, Tim Theisen returns at end where he was all-conference and made 100 tackles (57 unassisted). Other defensive veterans are Jon Lucker (200), Jerry Beland (210), and Fred Gebhart (95 tackles).

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC (5-4)—19 Watervliet 26; 13 Decatur 18; 13 St. Phillips 7; 13 Galien 14; 7 Eau Claire 0; 7 St. John's 0; 46 New Buffalo 0; 42 Bridgman 7; 0 Hartford 14.

RETURNEES—Steve Ives, HB; Tom Theisen, E; Jon Lucker, G; Jerry Beland, T; Fred Gebhard, G; Mark Clune, C.

SCHEDULE—Watervliet; Decatur; St. Phillips; Eau Claire; Galien; Hartford; St. John New Buffalo; Bridgman.

EAU CLAIRE

Optimism is running high for the upcoming season, with ten lettermen returning, to give coach John Miller a fine nucleus. End Ron Haskins snared 42 passes on his way to an all-conference selection. Halfback Ron Trowbridge supplies the Beavers with strong running as well as good pass receiving. Ric Bowerman, who served as a defensive halfback last year, takes over the reins at quarterback. Darwin Sanders, the team's leading tackler, also returns.

EAU CLAIRE (3-5)—20 St. John 0; 19 Bridgman 13; 0 Watervliet 13; 7 Decatur 33; 0 St. Joseph 7; 7 Galien 27; 26 New Buffalo 18; 0 Hartford 6.

RETURNEES—Rich Haskins, E; Doug Trowbridge, HB; Darwin Sanders, G; Don Grabemeyer, E; Tim Ferry, T; Vern Herter, T; Ron Hass, T; Warren Beezley, C; Ric Bowerman, QB; Ernie Lanier, HB.

SCHEDULE—at St. John; Bridgman; at Watervliet; Decatur; at St. Joseph; Galien; at New Buffalo; Hartford.

NEW BUFFALO

Eleven lettermen are back to help the Bisons to a better record than their 2-6 mark last year. Five of the returnees are in the backfield, led by three-time letter-winner Gary Gooch, a 195-pound fullback-quarterback. Three letter-winning halfbacks return—Steve Hamman, Bill Hudson and Terry Dohner.

NEW BUFFALO (2-6)—7 Hartford 31; 14 Benton Harbor St. John 7; 49 Bridgman 19; 0 Watervliet 19; 0 St. Joseph Catholic 46; 6 Decatur 26; 0 Galien 8; 19 Eau Claire 26.

RETURNEES—Gary Gooch, FB-QB; Jim Schreve, QB; Steve Hamman, HB; Bill Hudson, HB; Terry Dohner, HB; Mike Koza, T; Ron Payne, T; James Smitchger, G; Brad Happler, G; Gary Kendzierski, G; Tony Waldo, T.

BRIDGMAN

Coach Frank Yannessa is looking forward to the '68 season after a rugged 0-8 campaign in '67. The Bees return 11 players, with most of the key positions covered. Yannessa feels the younger players hold the key to success in giving needed depth. The offensive and defensive line will be anchored by Pete Solinsky and Dale Wente. Quarterback Gary Benko looks to them for protection.

BRIDGMAN (0-8)—0 Galien 32; 13 Eau Claire 18; 19 New Buffalo 49; 0 Hartford 44; 6 St. John 32; 13 Watervliet 38; 7 Decatur 39; 6 St. Joseph 39.

RETURNEES—Dale Wente, C; Jeff Crocker, DHB; Pete Solinsky, T; Greg Dunning, T; Dave Schaffert, G; Ted Stama, E; Dan Davis, FB; Bruce Rhew, HB; Jack Witt, G; Gary Benko, QB; Joe Svoboda, HB.

SCHEDULE—Galien; Eau Claire; New Buffalo; Hartford; St. John; Watervliet; Decatur; St. Joseph.

BENTON HARBOR ST. JOHN needs all kinds of help to escape the lower echelon of the league standings that it occupied last season.

RIVER RAISIN CONFERENCE

Newcomer Erie-Mason and Sand Creek will fight each other for the title all season, while Whiteford and Boysville battle to stay in contention all the way.

Best Lineman: tackle George Swift, Deerfield;
Best Back: halfback Harold Bailey, Sand Creek.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Sand Creek	5	0	1	Deerfield	1	5	0
Whiteford	5	1	0	Summerfield	1	5	0
Boysville	4	2	0	Britten	1	5	0
Ida	3	2	1				

WHITEFORD

With 21 lettermen returning, the Bobcats look to improve on their fine 6-2-1 '67 season. Coach John Keyer is counting on speed and desire rather than physical size. His '68 team is physically smaller than the past ones. Punter John Vesey, along with back Dan Keller, are two outstanding returning players.

WHITEFORD (6-2-1)—0 Erie-Mason 13; 13 Sand Creek 15; 0 Weedville 0; 7 Ida 6; 33 Boysville 13; 38 Deerfield 0; 53 Britten 20; 39 Summerfield 0; 22 Monroe Jefferson 7.

RETURNEES—Doug Herman, QB; Jerry Butz, E; Jeff Luck, B; Dan Keller, B; Steve Schmidt, B; Delbert Herman, B; Gordon Strahan, C; Charles Bunting, C; John Vesey, G; Clarence Eisenmann, G; LeRoy Bunge, G; Tim Stark, E; Dave Simpson, E; Dennis Chistensen, E; Olin White, E; Rick Sulier, E; Matt Bieber, E; Steve Mumford, T; Don Slusher, T; Richard Bischoff, T.

SCHEDULE—at Adrian Central Catholic; Sand Creek; at Erie-Mason; Ida; at Boysville; Deerfield; at Britten; at Summerfield; Toledo Ottawa Hills.

SAND CREEK

1967 was a big year at Sand Creek. It marked the first winning season in history for the Aggies and to cap it off

they won the conference crown. It was also gratifying to coach Lambert Condon. It marked his return to coaching after several years as a spectator.

The Bailey brothers, Harold and Paul, hold the key to success in 1968. Harold, a 200-pound halfback, is a hard runner, but has been bothered by knee problems in the past. Brother Paul is stationed at quarterback. Top linemen include Ormond Rising, Tom Griffith and Denny Allen. Missing is the Aggies' first all-stater, end John Lopez.

BOYSVILLE

Boysville hopes for a fine season with 18 lettermen returning. Although the quarterback graduated, the Fighting Knights are looking forward to topping their 5-3 record of last year.

BOYSVILLE (5-3)—19 Novi 7; 24 Deerfield 0; 34 Britten 0; 21 Summerfield 9; 13 Whiteford 33; 20 Sand Creek 23; 12 Ida 0; 0 Wayne St. Mary's 32.

RETURNEES—Nicholas Carroll, T; David Rockwell, TB; John Kanka, T; Ralph Cesnick, G; Richard McIntrye, C; James Kayl, G; Cliff Reynolds, FB; Frank Klos, HB; Anthony Betke, HB; Gerald Poe, E; Marshall Carter, HB; Gerald Schaden, HB; Terrence LaLonde, G; Arnette Summers, QB; Timothy Malenfant, TB; Michael Pitylak, T; Richard Monfette, T; Richard Hurford, FB.

SCHEDULE—Deerfield; Britten; Summerfield; Whiteford; Sand Creek; Ida; Erie-Mason.

IDA

Ida was in a rebuilding year in 1967, but still managed to tie the conference champions, Sand Creek, in a 0-0 contest. Coach Tom Overholser has a number of promising prospects back this season and expects the Bluestreaks to be back in title contention.

Among the returnees are Tom Firestone, a junior quarterback, backs Terry Sarter and Hank Banas as well as linemen Max Jobe, Don Hooper and Tim Leonard.

DEERFIELD

Deerfield's Minutemen, laden with sophomore talent, can do nothing this fall but improve. Coach Hugh Hyde's squad, 1-8 a year ago, come back this year with 14 lettermen, including all-league fullback Lee Feldman (215), the team's leading rusher last fall.

DEERFIELD (1-8)—6 Saline 34; 0 Boysville 20; 0 Ida 51; 0 Addison 42; 0 Sand Creek 31; 0 Whiteford 34; 20 Summerfield 14; 0 Britten 14; 6 Maumee Valley 26.

RETURNEES—Lee Feldman, FB; Jerry Logan, T; Wayne Poitter, G; Larry Kastel, HB; Howard Saunders, G; Mike Seiser, QB; John Seiser, E; Joe Stull, C; Mike McWilliams, E; Pat Seiser, HB.

SCHEDULE—Maumee Valley (O.); Boysville (Mich.); Ida; at Erie-Mason; at Sand Creek; at Whiteford; at Summerfield; at Britten-Macon.

SUMMERFIELD

Last season was Robert Scarbrough's first year as coach at Summerfield and the Wildcats finished with a 1-7 record. This year the Wildcats have 12 letterwinners returning and expected to help improve on that record is Mike Kennedy, a halfback who was the leading ground-gainer last year, fullback John Doyle and Russ Bolster, defensive halfback. John Kwiatkowski will be back at quarterback and he'll have Randy Doughty to throw to. On the line Jeff Gorr, Frank Drake, Melvin Conley, Jim Harlow, Carl Beck and Dave Kwiatkowski all return.

SUMMERFIELD (1-7)—0 Madison 13; 14 Ida 45; 7 Sand Creek 19; 9 Boysville 21; 0 Clinton 55; 13 Britten 7; 13 Deerfield 19; 0 Whiteford 39.

RETURNEES—John Doyle, FB; Mike Kennedy, HB; Russ Bolstek, HB; Pete Smith, HB; John Kwiatkowski, QB; Randy Doughty, E; Jeff Gorr, T; Frank Drake, T; Melvin Conley, C; Jim Harlow, G; Dave Kwiatkowski, T; Carl Beck, T.

SCHEDULE—at Ida; at Sand Creek; at Boysville; Erie-Mason; Britten; at Deerfield; Whiteford.

ERIE-MASON

New coach Joe Kinshaw has 11 of 23 lettermen back from last fall's team which won a second straight conference championship. Fullback Earl Larrow is the only returning offensive starter. He averaged 4.3 yards rushing in 56 attempts. On defense, four starters return. Bob LaMunyon (188 yards rushing), Don Stump, and Manuel Valdez (three TD's) are three halfbacks with experience. LaMunyon started at linebacker on defense along with Larrow.

MASON (8-1)—13 Whiteford 0; 27 Airport 0; 46 Jefferson 0; 55 Huron 0; 14 Carlson 7; 0 Dundee 19; 13 Sand Creek 0; 37 Northwood 0; 25 Ida 13.

RETURNEES—Manuel Valdez, HB; Earl Larrow, FB-LB; Don Stump, HB; Bob LaMunyon, HB-LB; Kim Cinglie, QB; Ron Murphy, G; Mark Arcuri, E; Warren Rasey, T; Mike Smith, E; Don Tarry, E; Mark DeLand, K.

SCHEDULE—Ypsilanti Lincoln; at Britten; Whiteford; Deerfield; at Summerfield; at Ida; at Sand Creek; Boysville; at Chelsea.

BRITTEN needs help and lots of it, to escape the lower confines of the league standings.

SAGINAW VALLEY LEAGUE

Flint Northern probably will nudge defending state champion Bay City Central out of the top spot this season.

Best Lineman: tackle Paul Schmidt, Bay City Central;
Best Back: halfback Charles Markey, Saginaw.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Bay City Central	8	0	0	Pontiac Central	2	4	2
Flint Northern	7	1	0	Midland	2	4	2
Flint Central	4	4	0	Flint Southwestern	1	5	2
Saginaw Arthur Hill	4	4	0	Bay City Handy	1	5	2
Saginaw	3	5	0				

BAY CITY CENTRAL

Central was the No. 1 Class A team in the state last year. If the Wolves expect to repeat, they must try harder. Coach Elmer Engel has only one regular offensive lineman and one regular halfback returning. Tackle Paul Schmidt and defensive halfback Dennis Way are returning all-conference stars. In addition, Central has top performers in guard Randy Billmeier, fullback Russell Davis and halfback Connell Berry.

CENTRAL (9-0)—20 Flint Central 19; 25 Flint Northwestern 13; 14 Saginaw Arthur Hill 7; 7 Midland 0; 9 Flint Northern 7; 41 Bay City Handy 24; 19 Saginaw 0; 26 Pontiac Central 6; 20 Flint Southwestern 19.

RETURNEES—Mike Beall, RE; James Beane, QB; Kurt Bickel, QB; Randy Billmeier, LG; Dan Bush, LHB; Connell Berry, LHB; Russell Davis, FB; Gary Duescher, RHB; Dave Hill, RG; Dave Kanicki, LE; Bob Kocisky, QB; Tom Lewis, RE; Robert Luce, FB; Greg Marciniak, LE; Peter Maxwell, RG; David Mikolajczak, FB; Pat O'Farrell, LHB; Ben Ramirez, LT; Paul Schmidt, RT; Norm Smith, LHB; Dan Socia, LG; Emil Stender, C; Dennis Van Guilder, LHB; Dennis Way, QB; Leland Wegener, LT.

SCHEDULE—Flint Central; Flint Northwestern; at Arthur Hill; Midland; at Flint Northern; Bay City Handy; at Saginaw; Pontiac Central; at Flint Southwestern.

FLINT NORTHERN

Coach Fred Crawford rates 1968 as a rebuilding year after an 8-1 season that saw the Vikings lose in the final minute to state champion Bay City Central, 9-7. Henry Mozingo returns at quarterback and the interior line is well fortified with veterans. Don Grigsby, one of the best second-string halfbacks in the state, leads the offensive. Team speed, always a Northern trademark, should be aided by Flint's new astro-turf.

NORTHERN (8-1)—42 Saginaw 14; 25 Pontiac Central 7; 3 Flint Southwestern 0; 7 Bay City Central 9; 14 Saginaw Arthur Hill 7; 19 Midland 7; 20 Flint Northwestern 6; 35 Bay City Handy 0; 6 Flint Central 2.

RETURNEES—Henry Mozingo, QB; Ambus Harper, QB Don Grigsby, HB; Paul Geiger, C; LaFonce Ellison, G; Dave Duhon, G; Mark Obloj, T; Lawrence Durrett, G.

SCHEDULE—Saginaw; at Pontiac; Flint Southwestern; Bay City Central; at Arthur Hill; Midland; Flint Northwestern; Bay City Handy; Flint Central.

FLINT CENTRAL

The Indians have the same problems as last year. Dick Mosely, after a one year stay, has joined the college ranks at Eastern Michigan. Mosely felt that the development of line strength would be the major problem. The backs, headed by Bob Patton, could be great. Central was 5-4 last season and has had a pattern of getting stronger as the season progresses. But the Indians aren't rated a title threat in the Saginaw Valley.

FLINT CENTRAL (5-4)—19 Bay City Central 20; 26 Saginaw Arthur Hill 6; 13 Midland 6; 26 Bay City Handy 6; 13 Saginaw 19; 12 Pontiac Central 18; 6 Flint Southwestern 0; 12 Flint Northwestern 7; 2 Flint Northern 6.

RETURNEES—Bob Patton, HB; Jim Peacock, HB; Tom Viilo, QB; Steve Butler, E; Dick Ruddy, G; Jim Murdock, T.

SCHEDULE—at Bay City Central; Saginaw Arthur Hill; at Midland; at Bay City Handy; Saginaw; at Pontiac Central; Flint Southwestern; Flint Northwestern; Flint Northern.

ARTHUR HILL

The Hillites' biggest concern this fall is a lack of interior linemen. Coach Paul Nestor goes into his second season with a line rebuilding job except at end, where co-captain Terry Hill returns. The 6-3, 190-pound senior will go both ways and solve most of Nestor's flanker problems. His backfield will be small by Saginaw Valley Conference standards, averaging about 160 pounds, but will be much quicker than last year's. Halfback Paul Hoffman, fullback Bob White and quarterback Steve Kelly are back, along with guard Gary Gerrish and end Steve Premo. The Hillites are pretty thin after that already, and don't appear capable of causing much trouble in the rugged Valley.

ARTHUR HILL (5-4)—13 Flint Southwestern 12; 6 Flint Central 26; 7 Bay City Central 14; 14 Midland 26; 6 Flint Northern 14; 29 Douglas MacArthur 12; 13 Bay City Handy 0; 14 Saginaw 7; 13 Pontiac Central 7.

RETURNEES—Terry Hill, E; Gary Gerrish, G; Steve Kelly, QB; Paul Hoffman, HB; Steve Premo, E; Bob White, FB; Tim Novak, HB.
SCHEDULE—Flint Southwestern; at Flint Central; Bay City Central; at Midland; MacArthur; Flint Northern; at Bay City Handy; Saginaw; at Pontiac Central.

SAGINAW

Saginaw, which has experienced extremely limited success in the rough conference in recent seasons, cannot expect much more this fall—the SVC's last season before a major shake-up splits it into two divisions.

The Trojans, somewhat disappointing last fall, appeared to have the material to cause a lot of trouble, but stumbled to a 3-6 year. Improving upon that this year will take a lot of surprises.

Coach Claude Marsh, entering his fourth season, has a smattering of returning veterans, but not enough to create many waves this fall.

Best among the returnees is 155-pound senior halfback Charles Markey who rushed for 800 yards last year. Markey leads an experienced backfield, along with quarterback Ben Haller, another 155-pounder.

Saginaw's "pony backfield" will also include 170-pound fullback Carl Ruth, while letterwinning halfbacks Gene Evans (160), Ken Anderson (155) and Lem Smith (160) are vying for a starting berth. The experience ends there.
SAGINAW (5-4)—42 Flint Northern 14; 7 Bay City Handy 42; 0 Saginaw Douglas MacArthur 34; 13 Pontiac 20; 6 Flint Southwestern 0; 13 Flint Central 19; 19 Bay City Central 0; 14 Saginaw Arthur Hill 7; 15 Midland 0.
RETURNEES—Charles Markey, HB; Carl Ruth, FB; Gene Evans, HB; Ben Haller, QB; Ken Anderson, HB; Lemuel Smith, HB.
SCHEDULE—Flint Northern; Bay City Handy; Saginaw MacArthur; Pontiac; Flint Southwestern; Flint Central; Bay City Central; Saginaw Arthur Hill; Midland.

PONTIAC CENTRAL

2-4-2 in 1967, Central looks for improvement this time around. Standout back Willie Ramsey, with plenty of experience, should carry the load. Other candidates are Jerry Sealy, George Opie, Rolly Garcia, Mark Asplin, John Hayes, Rufus Burrows, Horace Davis, Larry Moses, Willie Ramsey, Jerry Hinsperger, Joe McMillen, Greg Osler, Rojelio Rodriguez, Steve Sheffield, Bill Gottschall, Bob Hunt, Charles Tharp, Scott Wilson, Oliver Mathes, Dick Boyce and Albruy Tipton.

MIDLAND

Last year's 3-4-1 season was the first losing one in 15 years. With 22 returning lettermen, '68 should be better. The JV squad racked up a 6-1-2 record in '67. Those players should add much to an already strong team.
RETURNEES—Jim Wright, QB; Ken Anderson, HB; Steve White, E; Barry Jacobs, E; John Roberts, E; Roger Markell, G; Joe Dissette, HB; Jamie Dacus, LB; Duane Burtch, G; Chris Dowling, LB; Mike LaFlure, C; Tom Schneider, C; Dennis Bendon, G.

FLINT SOUTHWESTERN

A 1-6-2 record for Southwestern is one of the most misleading statistics of 1967. The Colts lost to state champion Bay City Central, 20-19, and missed a tie with less than two minutes to play. Flint Northern needed a 39-yard field goal to win 3-0. In fact, five of the losses were by six points or less and Bay City Central's 20 was the highest point total posted against the luckless Colts. Led by linebacker Mark Charette, the defensive unit could be as tough in 1968. If coach Tom Jobson finds and offense, Southwestern might reverse the '67 record or be even better.
FLINT SOUTHWESTERN (1-6-2)—12 Arthur Hill 13; 13 Midland 13; 0 Flint Northern 3; 6 Bay City Handy 12; 6 Saginaw 0; 7 Pontiac Central 7; 0 Flint Northwestern 17; 0 Flint Central 6; 19 Bay City Central 20.
RETURNEES—Mark Charette, LB; Rod Fry, E; Alfonso Easterwood, T; Rod Pendergraff, G; Gary Miller, C; Bob McComb, QB; Rick Turner, HB; Dave Miller, HB.
SCHEDULE—at Arthur Hill; Midland; Flint Northern; Bay City Handy; at Saginaw; Pontiac Central; Flint Northwestern; Flint Central; Bay City Central.

BAY CITY HANDY

A new coach and 22 returning lettermen are out to improve on a 1-6-2 record from last season. The Wildcats have a good chance of moving up despite stiff competition.
RETURNEES—Russ Eizinga, QB; Roger Goulett, G; Tom Mungenast, E; Mike Bragiel, C; Kim Sharp, E; Tom Petee, G; Tom Bridges, HB; Chris Jackson, T-LB; Dave Speaker, E; John Paine, T; Ron Pacholka, G; Mike Gies, G; Royal Goulett, QB; Jerry Newton, FB; Tom Reynolds, G; Tim Roberts, HB; Mike Roberts, HB; Dave Murray, T; Art Carmona, T; Bob Wieland, E; Dave Peters, T; Kerry Lamber, E.
SCHEDULE—Alpena; Saginaw; Pontiac; Flint Southwestern; Flint Central; Bay City Central; Saginaw Arthur Hill; Midland; Flint Northern.

ST. CLAIR AREA LEAGUE

Algonac and Port Huron Catholic appear to be just as even this year as they were last season, when they tied each other and tied for the conference crown. Marysville will be somewhere near the top.

Best Lineman: tackle Mike Partaka, Cros-Lex;
Best Back: fullback Ray Meldrum, Algonac.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Algonac	5	0	1	St. Clair	3	3	0
Port Huron				Cros-Lex	2	4	0
Catholic	5	0	1	Marine City	1	5	0
Marysville	4	2	0	Yale	0	6	0

ALGONAC

Duplicating an unbeaten season is usually a pretty large demand, but Algonac should be able to even top last year's 6-0-2 season. The Muskrats have 18 returning lettermen with eight starters on defense back, along with six from the offensive squad. Coach Richard Garrett's biggest problem is simply trying to sort out a starting line-up from a wrath of talent. All-League fullback-linebacker Ray Meldrum (175) heads the returnees, along with second-team choices Larry Furtah, a 185-pound tackle and 170-pound end Rick Johnson. The backfield is headed by quarterbacks Mike Childs, an accurate passer, and Mike Sutton.
ALGONAC (6-0-2)—20 Harper Woods 0; 13 Clintondale 13; 20 Port Huron CC 20; 12 Croswell-Lexington 7; 12 Marine City 0; 34 Yale 7; 14 Marysville 7; 14 St. Clair 0.
RETURNEES—Rick Johnson, E; Mike Schroelucke, E; Larry Furtah, T; Bob Owens, T; Dennis Little, T; Tony Meldrum, T; Harry Hurd, T; Roy Wilson, G; Bud Joliceour, G; Joe Rockwood, G; Don Farver, G; Ken Morris, C; Tom Thompson, C; Ray Meldrum, FB; Mike Sutton, QB; Bill Lowes, HB; Bill Burgett, HB; Mike Childs, QB.
SCHEDULE—at Harper Woods; Lutheran West; Croswell-Lexington; at Marine City; at Port Huron CC; Marysville; at St. Clair; Anchor Bay.

PORT HURON CATHOLIC

PHC, who tied Algonac for the league crown last year, will be back in force in '68. The Warriors' backfield is intact, along with six linemen back. PHC has the toughest schedule ever in '68, but looks forward to bettering last year's impressive 6-2-1 mark.
PHC (6-2-1)—12 Willow Run 27; 26 Cros-Lex 8; 21 Algonac 21; 31 Marine City 6; 27 Marysville 19; 73 Yale 0; 12 St. Clair 6; 8 Ecorse 19; 26 Flint Bendle 8.
RETURNEES—Mark Anter, QB; Mike Nowakowski, FB; Bruce Jobbitt, HB; Dan Hrigora, HB; John Priess, E; Bob Cook, E; John Foley, G; Don Bloink, G; Doug Knowlton, T; Chris Ward, T.
SCHEDULE—Willow Run; Cros-Lex; Algonac; St. Clair; Marysville; Marine City; River Rouge; Ecorse; South Lake.

MARYSVILLE

Coach Walt Braun has 11 letterwinners back to build his 1968 club. Among those returning for the Vikings are Jim Partridge, a quarterback who passed for 128 yards last season, and his favorite receiver, setback John Knuth, who caught 14 passes for 113 yards. The running attack is bolstered by the return of fullback Dick Welser, also the captain, who had a five yard average last season. Stalwarts on the line are tackles Rob Stevens, 180 pounds, and Bill Farrer (200).
MARYSVILLE (7-2)—41 Anchor Bay 12; 34 Yale 0; 18 Cros-Lex 0; 13 St. Clair 12; 25 Imlay City 6; 19 P. H. Catholic 27; 7 Algonac 14; 18 Marine City 0; 26 Avondale 0.
RETURNEES—John Knuth, SB; Rob Stevens, T; Dick Welser, FB; Rob Helzer, G; Jim Partridge, QB; Ed Graham, G; Bill Farrer, T; Paul Malone, HB; Kerry Bromley, HB; Bob Lagruth, G; Leonard Miekszтyn, FB.
SCHEDULE—Anchor Bay; Chippewa Valley; P. H. Catholic; at Cros-Lex; St. Clair; at Algonac; Marine City; Oxford; at Romeo.

ST. CLAIR

With 15 letterwinners returning, coach Ron Stablein is eyeing the league championship. The Fighting Saints were 4-4 last season and lost two decisive games by one point each. Steve McCartney will return at quarterback along with end Les Felter, who was second all-league. Expected to carry the brunt of the running attack is halfback Twig Snodgrass. John Decker, all-league last year and the third leading tackler, returns at guard.
ST. CLAIR (4-4)—12 Richmond 19; 25 Marine City 6; 26 Yale 0; 12 Marysville 13; 14 Cros-Lex 12; 22 Flint Carman 6; 6 Port Huron Catholic 12; 0 Algonac 14.
RETURNEES—Steve McCartney, QB-HB; Jim Lowe, HB; Twig Snodgrass, HB; Mike Metz, HB; Tom Skuta, HB; Dan Lazon, HB; Donn Bacon, C; John Decker, G; John Schueneman, G; Steve Mead, G; Les Felter, E; Steve Anderson, G; Bob Banning, QB; Dave Cosgrove, T; Fred Gauthier, T.
SCHEDULE—at Richmond; Warren Cousino; Marine City; at Port Huron Catholic; at Marysville; Cros-Lex; Algonac; at Center Line.

CROSWELL-LEXINGTON

Coach Mike Gkekas can hardly wait for the Pioneers' first game. He has 14 lettermen back and eight were starters last year on a 3-4-1 squad. Tackle Mike Partaka, a 240-pound senior, was an all-conference selection both ways last year and returns to anchor what should be a solid forward wall. He will be joined at tackle by 230-pound Chuck Picot, the team's leading tackler last year. Ends Gary Phillips and Kim Nunn are back, along with guards John Thompson (185) and Bob Esselink (195).

CROS-LEX (3-4-1)—7 Sandusky 7; 8 Port Huron CC 26; 0 Marysville 18; 7 Algonac 13; 12 St. Clair 14; 13 Marine City 7; 30 Brown City 0; 13 Yale 12.

RETURNEES—Jim Casterline, QB; Nick Kautz, HB; Greg Marquardt, HB; Kim Nunn, E; Gary Phillips, E; Mike Kasprzyk, C; John Thompson, G; Greg Bombyk, G; Dennis Jahn, G; Bob Esselink, G; John Smackaert, G; Chuck Picot, T; Mike Partaka, T; Tom Bell, T.

SCHEDULE—Sandusky; at Port Huron CC; Marysville; at Algonac; at St. Clair; Marine City; Brown City; Chippewa Valley.

MARINE CITY, 1-5 and next to last a year ago, needs help to climb higher.

ST. JOE VALLEY CONFERENCE

White Pigeon is the best bet, but Mendon could slip in, and Constantine is a dark horse.

Best Lineman: center Greg Allen, Mendon;

Best Back: quarterback Dave Moorman, Marcellus.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
White Pigeon	7	0	0	Burr Oak	2	5	0
Marcellus	5	1	1	Schoolcraft	2	5	0
Mendon	5	1	1	Constantine	2	4	1
Centerville	2	4	1	Colon	1	6	0

WHITE PIGEON

The Chiefs have 11 lettermen returning to defend their championship. Last year's squad, under coach Robert J. Blue, won seven straight league games and eight straight over-all. Leading offensive back returning is Ray Miller, who averaged 5.8 yards rushing. Gary Schneider was an all-conference end. Two big tackles are back, in John Davidson (215 pounds) and Brent Steiner (210). If they can get off to a fast start and receive help from their juniors, the Chiefs could be a contender.

WHITE PIGEON (8-0)—13 Edwardsburg 0; 19 Mendon 13; 13 Marcellus 0; 26 Burr Oak 6; 21 Centerville 6; 32 Constantine 6; 19 Colon 6; 40 Schoolcraft 0.

RETURNEES—Jerry Bowser, G; Doug Carter, FB; John Davidson, T; Steve Heckman, QB; Terry Logan, G; Mike Lyon, HB; Ray Miller, HB; Gary Schneider, E; Doug Shearer, HB; Brent Steiner, T; John Tubbs, G.

SCHEDULE—at Edwardsburg; Schoolcraft; Mendon; at Marcellus; Burr Oak; at Centerville; Constantine; at Colon.

MARCELLUS

Sporting a veteran backfield, Wildcat coach Joe Wood needs some help from the junior varsity ranks to fill large gaps in the line. The Wildcats, with 12 lettermen back, posted a 6-2 slate last year in Wood's first season. Heading this campaign are quarterback Dave Moorman (175 pounds) and halfback Clarence Lewis (139). Moorman completed 55 of 101 passes in 1967 for 880 yards and eight touchdowns, while Lewis carried for 476 yards in 70 attempts and four TD's. Tackle Otis Gibson (276 pounds) is also back.

MARCELLUS (6-2)—7 Decatur 13; 39 Schoolcraft 7; 0 White Pigeon 13; 20 Constantine 13; 34 Colon 13; 21 Burr Oak 0; 13 Centerville 7; 6 Mendon 0.

RETURNEES—Dave Moorman, QB; Pete Hartman, TB; Clarence Lewis, WB; Dan Cropsey, E-HB; Mike Romig, TE; Gary Mann, QB-E; Otis Gibson, T; Bruce Shannon, G; Mike Harris, FB; Mike Wright, FB; Jim Baum, T.

SCHEDULE—at Decatur; Mendon; at Schoolcraft; White Pigeon; Constantine; at Colon, Burr Oak; at Centerville; Climax-Scotts.

MENDON

Thirteen players graduated from last season's squad that was ranked 12th in Class D, and first in the Kalamazoo area, but there are plenty of good men left for '68.

Coach Lynn Tyson looks to all-leaguers Bob Jones at quarterback and Greg Allen at center and linebacker for leadership. There is heft at the tackles, speed in the backfield and speculation has it that the Hornets could be every bit as good as their 6-1-1 mark of a year ago.

MENDON (6-1-1)—27 Climax-Scotts 9; 13 White Pigeon 19; 31 Schoolcraft 6; 14 Colon 8; 7 Constantine 6; 15 Centerville 7; 20 Burr Oak 0; 6 Marcellus 6.

RETURNEES—Steve Schabes, T; Wayne Smith, T; Gary Hawkins; Tim Keith; Mark Garman; Ben Alexander; Bob Jones, QB; Greg Allen, C-LB.

SCHEDULE—Climax-Scotts; at Marcellus; at White Pigeon; Schoolcraft; Colon; at Constantine; Centerville; Burr Oak.

CENTERVILLE

There's improvement in the line for the Bulldogs, but replacements must be found for the entire offensive backfield, including the top two quarterbacks. Any injuries will hurt badly. A lack of speed and over-all size are other handicaps.

CENTERVILLE (3-4-1)—18 Howe 13; 13 Colon 7; 6 Constantine 6; 13 Schoolcraft 6; 6 White Pigeon 21; 7 Mendon 15; 7 Marcellus 13; 14 Burr Oak 32.

RETURNEES—Bill Bailey, E; Ed Iannarelli, E; Lloyd Kirby, B; Tom Reed, B; Wayne Smith, G; Jim Everett, E; Ken Gingerich, B; Norman Miller, T; Chris Minger, B; Brian Van Emon, T; Gary Younts, E; Mickey Reed, E.

SCHEDULE—Howe; at Burr Oak; at Colon; Constantine; at Schoolcraft; White Pigeon; at Mendon; Marcellus.

BURR OAK

The Bobcats have fair size, but little experience. The main problem is finding a strong backfield. The line should be able to hold its own, especially with six returnees.

BURR OAK (3-5)—19 Tekonsha 0; 0 Constantine 20; 6 Colon 20; 0 Marcellus 21; 0 Mendon 20; 6 White Pigeon 26; 21 Schoolcraft 6; 32 Centerville 14.

RETURNEES—Robert Gest, HB; Ken Kryder, G-LB; Dave Palmer, G; Doug Stone, T; Larry Gest, T; Steve Post, HB; Phil Wendell, C; Steve Brooks, G-E.

SCHEDULE—Tekonsha; Centerville; at Constantine; Colon; at White Pigeon; Schoolcraft; at Marcellus; at Mendon.

SCHOOLCRAFT

Thirteen lettermen return from a 2-5 team to give coach William Koltz optimism. Eleven are experienced, including 240-pound tackle Jerry Melvin, linebacker Gary Gould and halfback Mike Wheeler.

SCHOOLCRAFT (2-5)—7 Marcellus 39; 6 Mendon 32; 7 Centerville 13; 6 Burr Oak 21; 19 Colon 13; 6 Constantine 0; 0 White Pigeon 40.

RETURNEES—Jerry Melvin, T; Doug Summerville, G; Rick Palmer, DE; Tim Aldrich, P; Jerry Chamberlain, T; Kim Little, E; Fred Taylor, FB; Gary Gould, LB; Mike Wheeler, HB; Dennis Bursen, QB; Tom Scott, E; Gary Richter, LB; Dick Vosburg, G; Marty Mahieu, E.

SCHEDULE—at White Pigeon; Marcellus; at Mendon; Centerville; at Burr Oak; Colon; at Constantine.

CONSTANTINE

"The outlook is excellent" declares Constantine coach Dave Horn, bubbling with optimism. Two big reasons for Horn's bright outlook are quarterback Tim Messner, who completed nearly half his passes last year, and fullback Bob Houser. Both played regularly a year ago.

CONSTANTINE (2-5-2)—6 Cassopolis 32; 20 Burr Oak 0; 6 Centerville 6; 13 Marcellus 20; 6 Mendon 7; 6 White Pigeon 32; 6 Schoolcraft 6; 17 Colon 14; 3 Three Rivers 19.

RETURNEES—Tim Messner, QB; Bob Lawson, C; Bob Houser, G; Bill Betts, G; Pete Winarski, E; Jim Dimmick, T; Steve Clute, HB; Mike Skelton, T; Dan Carlson, HB; Mike Kneller, G; Richard Steele, HB; Wayne Weirich, HB.

SCHEDULE—at Cassopolis; Colon; Burr Oak; at Centerville; at Marcellus; Mendon; at White Pigeon; Schoolcraft.

COLON

Colon finished in a tie for fifth place in the league, but prospects are much better for 1968. The Magi were 2-6 in '67. Their attack is built around Chuck Mangold, a halfback who made all-conference as a junior. Seven others are back with two years of varsity experience.

SAUK TRAIL LEAGUE

Melvindale appears to be the strongest, but Edsel Ford must still be beaten out for the top spot.

Best Lineman: center Rick Fish, Melvindale;

Best Back: halfback Pete Hill, Ypsilanti.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Edsel Ford	4	0	0	Melvindale	2	2	0
Ypsilanti	2	2	0	Wayne	0	4	0
Dearborn	2	2	0				

EDSEL FORD

1968 is a building one for coach John D. Davis' Thunderbirds. He has only 11 lettermen returning from last year's team that finished first in the conference. Captains of this year's team are halfback-linebacker Pat Carmichael and tackle Brian Guffrey. An important cog on the line is guard Larry Buryta (6-0, 205).

EDSEL FORD (7-1)—20 Southgate 13; 28 Melvindale 12; 32 Ypsilanti 13; 52 Wayne 0; 28 Lincoln Park 0; 26 Dearborn 0; 0 Allen Park 6; 14 Fordson 7.

RETURNEES—Pat Watts, E; Ken Smith, QB; Ken Cornell, C; Pat Carmichael, HB; Brian Guffrey, T; Larry Buryta, G; Joe Trautwein, FB; Kevin Naylor, T; Fred Cornell, HB; Warren Broglin, T.

SCHEDULE—at Roseville; Fordson; at Melvindale; at Ypsilanti; Wayne; Ecorse; at Dearborn; Allen Park.

YPSILANTI

With 20 seniors lost from last year's team, coach Dave Driscoll sees this as a rebuilding season at Ypsilanti. The

Braves face another tough schedule this season. Among the 14 letterwinners returning is tri-captain Pete Mill, who was the leading scorer despite breaking his leg in the fifth game. Gary Jentzen is back at fullback. On defense are tri-captains Bob Rockwell and Bill Mitchell.
YPSILANTI (4-3-2)—6 Jackson Parkside 12; 32 Monroe 19; 12 Lincoln Park 12; 13 Edsel Ford 32; 19 Melvindale 25; 20 Dearborn 13; 32 Wayne 0; 6 Belleville 6; 19 East Detroit 13.
RETURNEES—Bob Rockwell, T; Bill Mitchell, HB; Pete Hill, HB; Jerry Minor, E; Tom Bower, G; Gary Jentzen, FB; Ken Lundy, HB; Jim Martin, T; Leroy Meade, G; Mark Savery, T; Phil Scott, G; John Wilson, QB; Jeff Hartman, E; Dave Hizer, E.
SCHEDULE—Jackson Parkside; Monroe; Edsel Ford; at Melvindale; at Dearborn; Wayne; Belleville; at Jackson Lumen Christi.

MELVINDALE

Melvindale closed with a rush, winning its last five games in '67, and coach Dale Sawicki, an 18-year veteran of the coaching wars, hopes that streak can be continued. The Cards have 13 lettermen back, six of them starters on the offensive team.
MELVINDALE (5-4)—7 Allen Park 13; 19 Roseville 33; 13 Edsel Ford 27; 21 Dearborn 33; 25 Ypsilanti 19; 19 Wayne 6; 21 Lincoln Park 0; 20 Monroe C. C. 14; 13 Southgate 7.
RETURNEES—James Alberty, HB; Joe Bronikowski, HB; Rick Fish, C; Gordon Held, T; Hugh Lacey, E; Dennis Maynard, G; Tom Pippin, HB; Pat Riley, FB; Mike Stathakis, G; Don Tobe, QB; Terry Turner, E; Dan Whitmore, T; Ralph Debeiro, HB.
SCHEDULE—at Allen Park; Taylor Center; Edsel Ford; at Dearborn; Ypsilanti; at Wayne; Annapolis; at Southgate.

DEARBORN

The Pioneers, 2-6 last season, will be led by Mike Kovachevich, a 6-1, 200-pound fullback, in 1968. Richard Gass, a 5-9, 170-pound guard, will be the top lineman.
SCHEDULE—Southgate; at Livonia Bentley; at Wayne Memorial; Melvindale; at Hamtramck; Ypsilanti; Dearborn Edsel Ford; at Dearborn Fordson.

WAYNE MEMORIAL

The Zebras hope to better their 2-7 effort of '67. A bright spot is 15 returning lettermen.
WAYNE (2-7)—14 Belleville 21; 12 Romulus 0; 0 Dearborn 34; 19 Lincoln Park 34; 0 Edsel Ford 51; 6 Melvindale 19; 0 Ypsilanti 25; 6 River Rouge 18; 27 Cherry Hill 0.
RETURNEES—Dennis Berard, HB; Bill Elsmiinger, E; Jim Green, QB; Norm Halme, T; Mike Hill, G; Bill Hood, HB; Jay King, T; Phil McDonald, T; Bob Mercado, HB; Bill Mull, G; Theo Pope, C; Dave Shoptaw, FB; Duane Stinson, HB; Hershell Wilhoite, T; Rick Abbott, E.
SCHEDULE—Belleville; at Romulus; Dearborn; Annapolis; at Edsel Ford; Melvindale; at Ypsilanti; at River Rouge; Cherry Hill.

SEAWAY CONFERENCE

Whitehall is once again the best bet, but Reeths-Puffer may be ready to take over.
Best Lineman: tackle Dave DeRose, Reeths-Puffer;
Best Back: quarterback Jack Cassette, Whitehall.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Whitehall	5	1	0	Coopersville	4	2	0
Muskegon Reeths-Puffer	4	1	1	Ravenna	2	4	0
Spring Lake	4	1	1	Fremont	1	5	0
				Fruitport	0	6	0

WHITEHALL

Defending champion Whitehall returns 17 lettermen, with the biggest job facing coach Ronald Bekius that of filling the shoes of five all-conference graduates.
The Vikings are strong up front, with tackle Carl Schilleman (210 pounds) a two-way player, and end Roger Silk having caught 17 of quarterback Jack Cassette's passes last year. Cassette is back after completing better than 50 per cent of his passes for over 700 yards and seven TD's as a junior. Halfback Andrew Shalifoe averaged 4.3 yards per carry a year ago.
WHITEHALL (7-1)—20 Montague 19; 20 Coopersville 6; 20 Ravenna 0; 6 Fremont 0; 20 Spring Lake 14; 13 Reeths-Puffer 20; 33 Fruitport 6; 33 Hart 13.
RETURNEES—Roger Silk, E; Bruce Puls, G; Rick Martin, G; Mark Estlund, G; Lundsie Vance, HB; Carl Schilleman, T; Andrew Jagniecki, G; Jack Cassette, QB; Andrew Shalifoe, HB; Jim Bloomberg, HB; Charles Vihtelic, LB; Edward Shaffer, E; David Rose, E; David Jibson, C; Gerald Rowe, T; Curt Sanders, T; Bill Murphy, FB.
SCHEDULE—at Montague; G. R. Cen. Chr.; at Ravenna; at Fremont; Spring Lake; Reeths-Puffer; at Fruitport; Hart.

MUSKEGON REETHS-PUFFER

Coach Gale Bolthouse welcomes 16 returning lettermen this fall. The Rockets have lost only four games in the past four seasons and have four all-conference picks back. Melvin Manning is a defensive halfback, Larry LeBeau is a center, Rick Jarman returns at linebacker, and Dave DeRose (6-0, 230) was all-conference at tackle as a sophomore. Al Johnson, who booted 15-17 extra points and one field goal, is also back.
REETHS-PUFFER (6-2-1)—13 Orchard View 12; 34 Fremont 2; 0 Spring Lake 0; 7 Grandville 20; 28 Fruitport 7; 3 Coopersville 6; 20 Whitehall 13; 20 Ravenna 6; 8 GR West Catholic 0.
RETURNEES—Darrell Falkowski, B; Fred Tyler, B; Al Johnson, K; Tim Arter, B; Melvin Manning, B; Ron McKentry, B; Larry LeBeau, C; Rick Jarman, G; Willie Davis, T; George Beegle, T; Pete Semeyn, T; Dick Nolan, T; Dave DeRose, T; Tim Cooper, E; Joe Wright, E; Tim McCumber, E.
SCHEDULE—at Orchard View; Fremont; at Spring Lake; Grandville; at Fruitport; at Grand Haven; at Whitehall; Ravenna; at GR West Catholic.

SPRING LAKE

Spring Lake could be just as good as last season's 5-3-1 squad, but injuries to any key personnel could severely hamper the chances. Depth is a big problem. The first unit has lots of experience, though. A tough schedule is another problem.
SPRING LAKE (5-3-1)—6 Kenowa Hills 12; 19 West Ottawa 12; 0 Reeths-Puffer 0; 24 Fruitport 0; 17 Ludington 7; 14 Whitehall 21; 28 Ravenna 18; 15 Fremont 0; 18 Coopersville 8.
RETURNEES—Steve Dewitt, QB; Gary Moorelead, FB; Gary Adams, HB; Jerry Pearo, HB; Jerry Vollmer, HB; Art Barnett, E; Mike Dylstra, E; Ed Smith, T; Fred Elkins, T; John Kemma, T; Randy Shinn, G; Jack Robbins, C.
SCHEDULE—Kenowa Hills; West Ottawa; Reeths-Puffer; Fruitport; Ludington; Whitehall; Ravenna; Fremont.

RAVENNA

Head coach Charles Ash is hoping to bolster his offense this season. Last year the Bulldogs had a 4-5 record—recording three shutouts.
RAVENNA (4-5)—0 Grant 6; 13 Fruitport 0; 0 Coopersville 6; 0 Whitehall 14; 6 Oakridge 0; 2 Fremont 0; 19 Spring Lake 28; 7 Reeths-Puffer 21; 26 Gobles 6.
RETURNEES—Joe Warber, TB; Howard Lawrence, E; Paul Borgman, G; Pete Jazdzyk, C; Tom Wright, QB; Steve Krepps, T.
SCHEDULE—Grant; Fruitport; Central Montcalm; Whitehall; Oakridge; Fremont; Spring Lake; Reeths-Puffer; Coopersville.

FREMONT

Fourteen returning lettermen, including ten seniors and four sophomores, give coach Robert Rapson ample reason for being optimistic about the Packers' chances in 1968. Led by Lee Price (165), sophomore Steve Robinson (240), sophomore Bill Leaver (165) and Rich Schurkamp (175), Fremont seems assured of improving on last year's 1-8 record.
FREMONT (1-8)—6 Big Rapids 0; 2 Reeths-Puffer 30; 6 Coopersville 12; 0 Whitehall 6; 0 Fruitport 12; 0 Ravenna 2; 0 Sparta 26; 0 Spring Lake 15; 6 Cadillac 12.
RETURNEES—Ron Kraley, C; Bob Lyons, E; Larry Parketon, T; Lee Price, LB; Rich Schurkamp, E; Ken Weiden, QB; Tom Austin, HB; Craig Beebe, FB; Chuck Borlens, C; Bill Leaver, QB; Bill Nelson, C; Steve Robinson, E-T; John Enerick, G.
SCHEDULE—Big Rapids; Reeths-Puffer; Chippewa Valley; Whitehall; Ravenna; Manistee; Spring Lake; Sparta.

FRUITPORT

Trojan coach Lyn TerBush looks for great improvement from the 1967 squad which finished sixth in the conference. He welcomes back 12 lettermen, including ten in the line. He must find a fullback and another halfback to go along with the veterans. Tom Best (200) is a returning tackle, while Greg Kanaar (190) is one of four ends. Dick Frisbie is the quarterback.
FRUITPORT (1-8)—0 Holland West Ottawa 32; 0 Ravenna 13; 13 Fremont 0; 0 Spring Lake 24; 7 Muskegon Reeths-Puffer 28; 6 Big Rapids 38; 0 Coopersville 13; 7 Whitehall 33; 0 Manistee Catholic 40.
RETURNEES—Mark Humphreys, E; Rodger Schultz, C; John Schaub, G; Roy Olovson, G; Greg Kanaar, E; Tom Best, T; Dave Anderson, HB; Dick Frisbie, QB; Don Dewey, E; Lonnie Bell, T; Brent Shepard, E.
SCHEDULE—Holland West Ottawa; Ravenna; Fremont; Spring Lake; Muskegon Reeths-Puffer; Big Rapids; Coopersville; Whitehall; Ludington.

SIX-A LEAGUE

Battle Creek Central is again the favorite, but Kalamazoo Central may be better.
Best Lineman: tackle Tom Braham, Kalamazoo Central;
Best Back: quarterback Ron Gifford, Battle Creek Central.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Battle Creek	4	1	0	Jackson	2	2	1
Eastern	3	1	1	Sexton	2	3	0
Kalamazoo	3	2	0	Ann Arbor	0	5	0

1-2-3) *Tom Bush, Lowell Wade and Mike McBrien, Sexton Standouts*

4) *East Lansing (dark) and Adrian battle in the snow for the second straight year. East Lansing overcame a two touchdown deficit to win* 14-13.

5) *Harrison's Rick Sherrill sets to throw pass in last season's game against Beaverton.*

6) *East Lansing halfback Mark Grua races around end as Sexton's Terry Hinton comes up ready for a collision. Both players, key men for their teams, return in* '68.

7) *Henry Mozingo, Flint Northern quarterback, completed* 33 *of* 68 *passes last season, his junior year.*

8) *Tim Messner, QB, Constantine*

9) *Dave Duhon, Flint Northern guard, is an All-Saginaw Valley guard with tremendous strength. He'll be a senior in* '68.

10) *Grant's coaching staff, from left, Ray Rynberg, head, and assistants Barry Malone, Don Clement and John Keniston.*

11) *Harrison's* 1967 *squad won the Northeastern Michigan Conference title. Coaches Jim Rosekrans and assistant Don Richards are shown in front.*

BATTLE CREEK CENTRAL

Coach Jack Finn's powerful Bearcats figure to be just as strong as ever this year, although Finn feels that team balance, not great individuals, must be the Bearcats' forte. Sixteen returning lettermen from last year's 8-1 squad, including quarterback Ron Gifford (185 pounds) and end Leon Lyons, (185) give the Bearcats a strong nucleus. Finn, in his tenth year at Battle Creek, has a 67-21-2 over-all mark.

CENTRAL (8-1)—28 Benton Harbor 0; 58 Ann Arbor Huron 6; 21 Lansing Eastern 6; 19 East Lansing 0; 35 Lansing Sexton 6; 35 Jackson 6; 14 Ann Arbor Pioneer 0; 6 Kalamazoo Central 7; 21 B. C. Lakeview 6.

RETURNEES—Monty Freeze, FB; Ron Gifford, QB; Charles Gudger, FB; David Horn, T; Charles James, T; Jeff Jenkins, HB; David King, HB; Leon Lyons, E; Vince Miller, QB; Mark Music, G; Terry Newton, C; Douglas Plunkett, T; Guy Portis, HB; James Roebuck, G; Ed Shaver, T; Craig Whitmore, E.

SCHEDULE—at Benton Harbor; at AA Huron; Eastern; East Lansing; at Sexton; Jackson; at AA Pioneer; Kalamazoo Central; B.C. Lakeview.

LANSING EASTERN

Coach Bob Dingman has just nine lettermen back from his '67 unit which finished second in the loop last fall. Cautious optimism is the word in this fall's Quaker camp. Monogram returnees are quarterback Tom Ley, halfback Sam Davis, ends Jack Stein and Mike Haley, guard Charlie Cross, tackle Roger Rappaport (who weighs about 300 pounds), guard Bill Held, halfback Dan Olivett and center Dave Tinney.

KALMAZOO CENTRAL

Eight lettremen return for coach Paul Baldwin, now starting his second year. The Maroon Giants were 7-2 last season, including a 7-6 win over Battle Creek Central, then the state's top-ranked team. There are several top prospects from the reserve team, but replacing the likes of All-American offensive guard Dave Bills, fullback Carl Myles (a bruising runner), safetyman Gene Stovall, and linebacker Paul Triesenberg will be no easy chore.

Tom Braham is a fine returning tackle, while Mike Squires is a small, scrambling quarterback, also back. Tommie Sykes is a fine defensive halfback.

CENTRAL (7-2)—32 Portage Central 6; 14 Kalamazoo Hackett 0; 18 Ann Arbor Pioneer 7; 6 Jackson 32; 20 Benton Harbor 0; 10 Lansing Sexton 6; 0 Lansing Eastern 7; 7 Battle Creek Central 6; 7 Loy Norrix 0.

RETURNEES—Tom Braham, T; Bob Burnham, G; Don Kittredge, HB; David Lee, E; Roger Nabors, DHB; Charles Parker, FB; Mike Squires, QB; Tommie Sykes, DHB.

JACKSON

Fielding an experienced, strong and fast backfield, the Vikings need to fill cavities in both lines to become a contender for Six-A honors. Quarterback Tom Pyciak, fullback Grady Walker, and halfbacks Hoover Sisson and Carl Merritt lead the list of 12 Jackson returnees. Pyciak threw for 676 yards and completed 48 per cent of his attempts, while Merritt carried for 400 yards, Sisson 389 and Walker 377.

JACKSON (4-4-1)—7 Everett 26; 13 Adrian 12; 37 Portage Central 6; 32 Kalamazoo Central 6; 7 Eastern 7; 6 B. C. Central 35; 6 Sexton 26; 7 Ann Arbor Pioneer 0; 6 Jackson Parkside 13.

RETURNEES—Tom Pyciak, QB; Hoover Sisson, HB; Grady Walker, FB; Carl Merritt, HB; Tom Mason, C; Pat Loos, G; Stan Chmiel, G; Roger Dubois, T; Frank Mayotte, T; Rod Chivington, T; Jake Sampson, E; Howie Bradley, E.

SCHEDULE—Everett; Lumen Christi; at Adrian; at Kalamazoo Central; Eastern; at B.C. Central; at Sexton; A.A. Pioneer; Jackson Parkside.

LANSING SEXTON

With eight of 11 starters back, including the entire backfield, coach Ed Majdeski's Big Reds appear good bets to improve on last season's 3-5 slate. Halfbacks Terry Hinton (175 pounds) and Lowell Wade (185), and fullback Mike McBrien (195) give Sexton a rugged running trio, while junior Tom Bush (210) is a standout tackle.

SEXTON (3-5)—6 Muskegon 0; 14 Everett 27; 7 East Lansing 13; 6 Kalamazoo 10; 27 Ann Arbor Pioneer 6; 0 Battle Creek 35; 25 Jackson 6; 7 Eastern 13.

RETURNEES—Richard Angell, FB; Tom Bush, T; Marty Chouinard, QB; Dave Ciolek, T; Tom Crumley, C; Dave Drayton, QB; Dayton Driver, T; Terry Hinton, HB; Stan Levandowski, HB; Mark Mehaffey, HB; Wilbur Middleton, HB; Jeff Miller, E; Mike McBrien, FB; Terry Quimby, E; Walt Smiley, C; Ken Stone, G; Lowell Wade, HB.

SCHEDULE—Muskegon; at Everett; East Lansing; at A.A. Pioneer; Battle Creek; at Kalamazoo; Jackson; at Eastern.

ANN ARBOR PIONEER

Eighteen returning lettermen from last season's 2-6 team give coach Chuck Ritter a solid nucleus around which to build his 1968 crew. With guard John Sonntag (170 pounds) and quarterback Ted Kennedy (170) leading the way, Ritter looks for improvement this season.

ANN ARBOR (2-6)—14 Grosse Pointe 8; 7 East Lansing 6; 7 Kalamazoo Central 18; 13 Sexton 27; 0 Eastern 14; 0 Battle Creek 14; 0 Jackson 7; 20 Walled Lake 21.

RETURNEES—Pete Schneeberger, E; Dave Barkman, T; Mark Leslie, T; John Sonntag, G; Dave Haaxma, G; Rick Bolhouse, C; Tom Vogel, C; Jerry Schneider, QB; Ted Kennedy, QB; Wayne Marshall, HB; Ed Fetters, FB; Tim Cebulski, HB; Bill Elliott, HB; Len Thielk, HB; Ron Coon, T; Erik Hansen, E; Bill Pritula, HB; Jim Robinson, FB.

SCHEDULE—Grosse Pointe; at East Lansing; Kalamazoo Central; Sexton; at Bedford; at Eastern; B. C. Central; at Jackson; Walled Lake.

SOUTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE

East Lansing is a narrow favorite over Everett, Adrian and Parkside, all about equal.

Best Lineman: linebacker Valdis Gailitis, East Lansing.

Best Back: halfback Carl Strickland, Everett.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
East Lansing	4	0	1	Jackson Parkside	2	2	1
Lansing Everett	4	1	0	Battle Creek			
Adrian	3	2	0	Lakview	1	4	0
				Ann Arbor Huron	0	5	0

EAST LANSING

Although the Trojans have 15 returning lettermen from 1967's 6-2-1 team, only five of them have had much game experience. Coach Al Rufe faces a rebuilding campaign. Lansing all-city gridders, halfback Mark Grua (162 pounds) and linebacker Valdis Gailitis (187), are back, but seven defensive and six offensive regulars have graduated. East Lansing won the Lansing city championship in 1967.

EAST LANSING (6-2-1)—12 Eastern 6; 6 A. A. Pioneer 7; 13 Sexton 0; 0 B. C. Central 19; 53 A. A. Huron 12; 24 B. C. Lakeview 0; 14 Adrian 13; 0 Jackson Parkside 0; 12 Everett 7.

RETURNEES—Brad Shingleton, B; Tom Larkin, B; Thom Ehle, B; Fred Perry, B; Mark Grua, B; Mike Cottrell, C; John Draper, C; John Peckham, G; Valdis Gailitis, G; Chris LaReau, G; Jim Ecker, T; Warren Wortley, G; Dan Fedore, E; Tom Jacob, E.

SCHEDULE—Eastern; A. A. Pioneer; at Sexton; at B. C. Central; at A. A. Huron; B. C. Lakeview; at Adrian; Jackson Parkside; Everett.

EVERETT

Coach Ken Eckman has a big rebuilding job ahead of him this season. The Vikings lost ten defensive and 10 offensive starters from last year's squad which posted a fine 7-2 record. Leading the list of seven returning lettermen is Carl Strickland (160 pounds) who garnered All-City honors in Lansing in 1967. Strickland scored 13 touchdowns for the Vikings. Discovering line talent is Eckman's major chore.

EVERETT (7-2)—26 Jackson 6; 27 Sexton 13; 27 Muskegon Heights 6; 6 Eastern 13; 7 Adrian 0; 19 B. C. Lakeview 6; 46 Jackson Parkside 0; 40 A. A. Huron 6; 7 East Lansing 12.

RETURNEES—Gary Wichman, QB; Mark Rittenger, T; Dave Koshork, T; Randy Ellis, E; Gerry Gothro, C; Brian Winters, FB; Carl Strickland, HB.

SCHEDULE—at Jackson; Sexton; Muskegon Heights; at Eastern; Adrian; at A. A. Huron; at Jackson Parkside; B. C. Lakeview; at East Lansing.

ADRIAN

Losing 15 lettermen, ten of them starters, including All-Stater Harley Westfall, coach Gary McNitt's Maples will have a difficult time improving on last year's 6-3 season. Twelve lettermen return for the Maples, including versatile quarterback Rich Reed (185 pounds), who sported a 39.2-yard punting average, made eight tackles a game as a linebacker and stole five enemy passes. Halfback Lance Day (170) and signal-caller Jim Zemlo (170) are also back.

ADRIAN (6-3)—19 Monroe 14; 12 Jackson 13; 27 Lapeer 7; 6 B. C. Lakeview 0; 0 Everett 6; 13 Jackson Parkside 12; 13 East Lansing 14; 32 A. A. Huron 7; 37 Tecumseh 0.

RETURNEES—Mark Skeels, G; Rich Reed, QB; Dennis Suydam, FB; Larry Ward, HB; Britt Hurlbut, FB; Lance Day, HB; Larry Griffith, T; Mike McAdams, G; Jim Zemlo, QB; Ed Salazar, G; Jim Dennis, C; Terry Bakewell, HB.

SCHEDULE—Monroe; Jackson; Eastern; B. C. Lakeview; Everett; Jackson Parkside; East Lansing; Ann Arbor Huron; Tecumseh.

JACKSON PARKSIDE

Sporting a 30-12-2 record as head coach over the past five years, Ray VanMeer is confident that this year's Eagle team will be equally strong. Sixteen lettermen return, including co-captains Marty Green and John Harris, giving the Eagles a strong nucleus on which to improve upon last year's 6-2-1 mark.

PARKSIDE (6-2-1)—12 Ypsilanti 0; 35 G. R. South 7; 12 Jackson St. John 0; 27 A. A. Huron 6; 14 B. C. Lakeview 0; 6 Adrian 13; 0 Everett 46; 0 East Lansing 0; 14 Jackson 6.

RETURNEES—John Swartley, QB; Joe Alger, QB; Marty Green, HB; Stan Trice, FB; Tom Brzezinski, HB; Mark

Claric, E; Tom Keeley, G; Mike Kimling, T; Bob Black, C; John Harris, G; Jim Sloan, G; Paul Heath, T; Dave Stowe, T; Bill Zahn, T; Brian Fowler, E; Bill Penn, E.
SCHEDULE—at Ypsilanti; G. R. South; at Jackson Lumen Christi; A. A. Huron; at B. C. Lakeview; Adrian; Everett; at East Lansing; at Jackson.

BATTLE CREEK LAKEVIEW

"Fair to good," is the way Spartan coach Buzz McNally sees his 1968 gridders. Lakeview will try to improve on last season's 2-6 slate. Heading the list of 13 returning lettermen are quarterback Dick Barker (175 pounds), end Mike Stroup (185), tackle Chuck Lohrstorfer (210) and linebacker Chuck Burnham (160). The Spartans have one of the state's largest players in 250-pound Ed Longborns.
LAKEVIEW (2-6)—26 Portage Central 6; 13 Kalamazoo Loy Norrix 14; 0 Adrian 6; 0 Jackson Parkside 13; 0 East Lansing 24; 24 Ann Arbor Huron 0; 6 Everett 20; 6 B. C. Central 21.
RETURNEES—Dick Barker, QB; Dale Dolph, HB; Dan Frever, HB; Bob Marsh, HB; Mike Shoup, E; Don Coss, E; Chuck Lohrstorfer, T; Bob Marine, G; Jeff Sovern, G; Ed Longborn, C; Chuck Burnham, LB; Ed Burt, LB; John Thornton, LB.
SCHEDULE—Marshall; Portage Central; Loy Norrix; Adrian; Jackson Parkside; East Lansing; Ann Arbor Huron; Everett; B. C. Central.

ANN ARBOR HURON finished a dismal last in '67, though the club coached by Jay Stielstra looked good at times in its first season of play. Improvement can be expected in '68.

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

South Lyon is the favorite over Dundee, who may still have enough talent to make the top in '68.
Best Lineman: tackle Howard Kniffen, Dundee;
Best Back: halfback Frank Spreeman, Dundee.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
South Lyon	4	0	2	Dexter	2	3	1
Dundee	5	1	0	Lincoln	1	4	1
Saline	4	2	0	Milan	0	6	0
Chelsea	2	2	2				

DUNDEE

Merv Ward steps into his first year as head coach and it appears the Vikings will reward him with a successful baptismal season. Ward has nine lettermen returning from a 7-2 season and much material is available from a junior varsity squad that went 5-2 last fall.

Best among the lot is four-year letter-winner Howard Kniffen, a 210-pound senior tackle. He'll co-captain the squad along with halfback Frank Spreeman (180) who rushed for 550 yards last year. John Craig (180) is also back at a halfback slot and Glen Pilbeam (185) fills the bill at fullback. Quarterback Mike Curley (190) and halfback Tom Wilcox (180) are back, so a powerful running attack is assured. Heading the linemen is tackle Ed Tam (200) who will battle 210-pound Ron Bodine for a starting job next to Kniffen. End John Karner (190) also returns, so if Ward can come up with a pair of solid guards, the Vikings will maintain Dundee's winning tradition.
DUNDEE (7-2)—14 Ida 7; 26 Chelsea 0; 20 Lincoln 14; 7 South Lyon 13; 19 Saline 6; 19 Mason 0; 20 Dexter 14; 19 Milan 2; 15 Blissfield 19.
RETURNEES—Frank Spreeman, HB; Howard Kniffen, T; John Karner, E; Ed Tam, T; Tom Wilcox, HB; Glen Pilbeam, FB; Ron Bodine, T; John Craig, HB; Mike Curley, QB.
SCHEDULE—Ida; Chelsea; at Lincoln; at South Lyon; Saline; at Gibralter Carlson; at Dexter; Milan; Blissfield.

SALINE

Coach Mike Rotunno may face a rebuilding year in 1968 after losing many key players and a lot of size. The Hornets finished third in the conference last fall. They will be led by Bob Girbach on defense and fullback Dan Laskey on offense. Biggest man is tackle Ralph Kring (6-2, 216).
SALINE (7-2)—34 Deerfield 6; 15 Milan 6; 0 South Lyon 26; 19 Tecumseh 13; 6 Dundee 19; 14 Dexter 6; 19 Chelsea 0; 41 Lincoln 13; 28 Clinton 18.
RETURNEES—Glenn Burkhardt, HB; Rick Berry, QB; Don Reese, QB; Dan Laskey, FB; Joe Eadie, C; Bob Girbach, C; Carey Strieter, G; Bruce Fritts, G; Mike Farrell, G; Dave Estes, T; Ralph Kring, T; Scott Klapper, E; Don Morton, E; Mike Barland, E.
SCHEDULE—at Milan; South Lyon; Monroe Catholic Central; at Dundee; at Dexter; Chelsea; Lincoln; at Clinton.

CHELSEA

The Bulldogs, 3-4-1 last year, have 20 lettermen returning to bolster their hopes for 1968. Leading an all-veteran backfield will be quarterback Craig Houle. Roger Boylan, a 250-pound tackle who placed third in the state in wrestling last winter, anchors the line.
SCHEDULE—at Stockbridge; at Dundee; Gibraltar Carlson; Milan; at Ypsilanti Lincoln; South Lyon; at Saline; Dexter; Erie-Mason.

DEXTER

With no outstanding players returning to a team with little experience, the Dreadnaughts could be heading for a bleak '68 season. Coach Al Ritt, in his eighth year, is faced with a small squad with little speed. Finding a new quarterback is also a task.
DEXTER (4-4-1)—35 Pinckney 0; 14 Stockbridge 19; 38 Lincoln 26; 8 Milan 6; 0 South Lyon 13; 6 Saline 14; 14 Dundee 19; 13 Chelsea 13; 14 Michigan Center 13.
RETURNEES—Tony Bell, LB; Mark Hurst, HB; Larry Carpenter, FB; Dave Kercher, HB; Gary Klapperich, HB; Mark Sprout, G; Roger Boyce, G; James Herrst, G; Bob Schuyler, T; Dan Arbour, T; Doug VanderMade, E; Dan Lavalle, T.
SCHEDULE—Pinckney; Corunna; Milan; Lincoln; South Lyon; Saline; Dundee; Chelsea; Michigan Center.

LINCOLN

Lincoln looks to sophomores to carry the load this season, with only four lettermen returning. Coach Fred DeGraves' Railsplitters must depend on end Larry Devitt, fullback Jim Bunton, tackle John Johnson and guard Kenneth Hogg for leadership in the conference race.
LINCOLN (3-4-2)—20 Gibraltar Carlson 19; 19 South Lyon 19; 19 Dundee 20; 12 Chelsea 13; 28 Dexter 38; 0 Milan 0; 38 Huron 12; 13 Saline 48; 33 Pinckney 13.
SCHEDULE—Erie-Mason; South Lyon; Dundee; Chelsea; Dexter; Milan; New Boston; Huron; Saline; Pinckney.

MILAN

Milan has not fared well in football in the past five seasons, but the Big Reds could be on their way up this season. Coach Joe Smith has 13 lettermen from last year's 1-7-1 team, and is expected to promote many members of last year's junior varsity which lost only one game. The Big Reds could have a strong defense, built around safety Jerry Markham and 270-pound tackle Ed Hansor. Halfback Bob Barrett is also a top player.
MILAN (1-7-1)—14 Ypsilanti Roosevelt 0; 6 Saline 15; 6 Dexter 8; 0 Chelsea 18; 0 Flat Rock 7; 0 Lincoln 0; 6 South Lyon 32; 2 Dundee 19; 6 Brighton 7.
RETURNEES—Bob Barrett, HB; Ron Outland, HB; Don Outland, QB; Jerry Markham, OE-DB; Ken Bobicy, E; Ken London, T; Ralph Kilpatrick, T; Ed Hansor, T; Dave Phillips, HB; Jeff Cox, G; Gary Betts, G; Erwin Vanderbush, G; John Perey, DB.
SCHEDULE—East Jackson; Saline; Dexter; Chelsea; Monroe Jefferson; Lincoln; South Lyon; Dundee; Brighton.

SOUTH LYON barely made it into the conference throne room last fall, and should be another top contender for honors again this season.

SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION

Hazel Park is the best bet to dethrone Kimball, who should still be tough.
Best Lineman: tackle Bill Lubs, Southfield;
Best Back: halfback Bob Williams, Kimball.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Kimball	4	1	0	Ferndale	3	2	0
Hazel Park	3	2	0	Seaholm	2	3	0
Southfield	3	2	0	Berkley	0	5	0

ROYAL OAK KIMBALL

A rebuilding year is in store for coach Paul Temerian. He lost 23 lettermen last year through graduation. Eleven lettermen return, but most are inexperienced. Among the missing are the Hallidays, Doug and Gary, both of whom received post-season honors. Doug was named all-state, and Gary was named all-league. Jerry Wasen has a shot at the quarterback spot and expected to provide much of the running are halfbacks Bob Williams, Bill Imgram and Fred Shellnut. Jay Brown will handle one guard position.
KIMBALL (6-3)—0 Walled Lake 10; 6 East Detroit 19; 6 Ferndale 0; 13 Berkley 0; 0 Southfield 6; 26 Hazel Park 13; 27 Seaholm 6; 27 Port Huron 0; 18 Dondero 14.
RETURNEES—Fred Shellnut, HB; Jay Brown, G; Jerry Wasen, QB; Doug Nikkila, T; Doug Kolly, C; Rich Runchey, E; Carl Roehling, FB; Bob Williams, HB; Bill Imgram, HB; Bob Walsh, G; Dave Hopper, G.
SCHEDULE—Walled Lake; East Detroit; Seaholm; Ferndale; Berkley; Southfield; Hazel Park; Port Huron; Dondero.

HAZEL PARK

Encouraged by the return of 20 lettermen who developed well last season, coach Charles J. Skinner is looking forward to a successful season at Hazel Park. Skinner is looking for a quarterback and ends, and has a potentially fast and powerful backfield. Marcus Pruss, a 240-pound tackle, and Steve Plivelich, fullbacks Mike Ashlin and Mike Litwin, and Jeff Federoff, a halfback, are key players for the Vikings.
HAZEL PARK (4-5)—27 Fitzgerald 7; 7 Dondero 12; 6 Southfield 27; 31 Seaholm 26; 6 Berkley 0; 14 Kimball 26;

13 Ferndale 0; 6 Austin 12; 0 Roseville 20.
RETURNEES—Keith Jozwik, HB; John Sheppard, QB; Mike Litwin, FB; John DeAngelis, HB; Gary Stephens, HB; Jeff Federoff, HB; Don Beverlin, C; Mike Ashlin, FB; Chris Scott, G; Dan Moore, HB; Mark Fields, C; Gary Allen, G; David DaKroub, G; Joe Newman, G; Eric Pugh, T; Steve Jankowski, G; Marcus Pruss, T; Dennis Purgatori, E; Steve Plivelich, T; Norman Bommarito, T.
SCHEDULE—Fitzgerald; at Dondero; at Ferndale; at Southfield; Seaholm; at Berkley; Kimball; Warren Woods; at Roseville.

SOUTHFIELD

Coach Ed Bryant may have a tough time duplicating last fall's tie for second in the league with only nine lettermen back. The line features good size, with tackle Bill Lubs (225) an all-conference pick. Don Thompson (230) has lettered three years at guard. Gerry McCann (240) is another guard. The Bluejays lack speed in the backfield.
SOUTHFIELD (7-2)—26 Thurston 0; 7 Waterford Township 0; 27 Hazel Park 7; 6 Ferndale 19; 6 Kimball 0; 7 Birmingham Seaholm 27; 40 Berkley 13; 16 Farmington 0; 20 Birmingham Groves 13.
RETURNEES—Bill Lubs, T; Dave Wieland, HB; Rick Ellison, QB; Gerry McCann, G; Don Thompson, G; Steve Watts, FB; Butch Mattson, T; Lance Korthals, E.
SCHEDULE—Southfield Lathrup; at Waterford Township; at Berkley; Hazel Park; at Ferndale; at Kimball; Birmingham Seaholm; at Farmington; Birmingham Groves.

FERNDALE

Twenty-five men from last year's 3-2, second-place team return, giving the Eagles optimism for '68. Returning backfield talent includes Jim Fielder, Baylee Reid, Bill Screws, Mike Shephard, Charles Morgan, James Thomas, Robert Brasfield, John Deibel, Eddie Morgan, Sam DeGrate, and linemen Sam Cross, Clyde Monroe, Calvin Holser, Mike Serilla, Pete Reynolds, Rick Zimmer, Craig Lyons, Charles Yakemonis, James Prentis, Gary Holland, Dennis Johnson, Mike Clapp, Cliff Neuman, Edgar Thompson and Dwayne Stephens.

BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM

Coach Alex McInnis is looking for the Maples of Birmingham Seaholm to bounce back in the league race after a subpar 3-6 mark in 1967.
BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM (3-6)— 32 Birmingham Groves 19; 20 Mt. Clemens 35; 26 Berkley 13; 25 Hazel Park 31; 6 Ferndale 19; 27 Southfield 7; 6 Royal Oak Kimball 27; 7 Royal Oak Dondero 8; 6 Brother Rice 26.

BERKLEY

A major turnover in personnel leaves coach Hugh Wilson with only eight lettermen returning, one who was a defensive starter. The Bears graduated 28 of last season's 42-man squad which went 0-8-1. Senior linebackers Roger Reynolds and Dennis Schade are mainstays of the defense and play offensive fullback and halfback respectively. William Duncan is expected to play both ways as a quarterback and defensive halfback. Rod Campbell, a junior who played on the junior varsity last year, is expected to take over at center.
BERKLEY (0-8-1)—19 Troy 20; 0 Walled Lake 20; 13 Seaholm 26; 0 Kimball 13; 0 Hazel Park 6; 0 Ferndale 14; 13 Southfield 41; 0 Groves 0; 6 Oak Park 7.
RETURNEES—Thomas Conlan, G; Vince Cuchetti, T; Don Dearing, T; William Duncan, QB; Roger Reynolds, FB; Dennis Schade, LB; Richard Sterry, E; Ken Tye, S.
SCHEDULE—Troy; at Walled Lake; Southfield; at Seaholm; Kimball; Hazel Park; at Ferndale; at Groves; Oak Park.

SOUTHERN THUMB LEAGUE

New Haven should be about a touchdown better than Armada and Richmond, while Almont could be a darkhorse.

Best Lineman: end Ron Rusk, Armada;

Best Back: quarterback Scott Scofield, Richmond.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
New Haven	6	1	0	Anchor Bay	3	3	1
Armada	4	1	2	Dryden	3	3	1
Richmond	4	1	2	Capac	1	6	0
Almont	3	3	1	Memphis	0	6	1

NEW HAVEN

The Rockets' outlook is quite promising. Their size is small, but the desire that pulled them through a 7-1 record in '67, gives the seven returning lettermen a good background. New Haven should be a top contender.
NEW HAVEN (7-1)—19 Marine City 6; 7 Almont 2; 19 Anchor Bay 12; 13 Richmond 12; 13 Capac 6; 12 Armada 13; 14 Dryden 0; 19 Memphis 0.
RETURNEES—Roger Schultz, C; Jim Walanis, G; Scott Belt, T; Tyrone Moore, HB; Lynn Ryan, QB; Tom Carlson, QB; Art Crosby, LB; Bill Brown, G.
SCHEDULE—at Marine City; Almont; at Anchor Bay; at Capac; Richmond; at Armada; Dryden; at Memphis.

ARMADA

Coach Ed Wuestenberg has 17 lettermen to work with this fall, in hopes of improving last year's second place finish in the conference. Ron Rusk should be ready at end after breaking an ankle midway through last season. He caught 16 passes for 311 yards and four TD's in five games. Connie Reiter should provide the running attack after gaining 555 yards last fall for a 7.3 average and catching passes for another 182 yards. If the defense can be improved, the Tigers may be a title contender.
ARMADA (5-1-3)—14 Chippewa 7; 26 Dryden 26; 13 Richmond 13; 26 Memphis 6; 19 Anchor Bay 35; 13 New Haven 12; 27 Almont 7; 38 Capac 2; 7 St. Augustine 7.
RETURNEES—Joe Blake, HB; Randy Craven, G; Mike Depauw, HB; Bill Duynslager, T; Ron Harmon, E; Gary Hofer, QB; John King, HB; Duane Mahaffy, E; John Meehleder, T; Craig Pedigo, FB; Dick Racicki, QB; Conrad Reiter, HB; Ron Rusk, E; Gary Tallent, G; Ken Walter, T; Stan Hick, G; Gary Vanlerberghe, C.
SCHEDULE—Chippewa; Dryden; Richmond; Memphis; Anchor Bay; New Haven; Almont; Capac; St. Augustine.

RICHMOND

A championship may be in store for the Blue Devils of coach L. T. Schlaack, who finished second last fall. Nine starters return on both offense and defense, with a total of 18 lettermen back. Vic Trombley (6-2, 200) caught 35 passes at end last fall. Scott Scofield accounted for eight TD's running and passing last year at quarterback. He gained 898 yards passing on 67-127. Doug Sparling, who was the backbone of offense at fullback, with a 5.6 rushing average also returns. Neil Evans (200) leads the defense at tackle, where he totaled 68 tackles last fall.
RICHMOND (6-1-2)—19 St. Clair 12; 6 Memphis 0; 12 Dryden 6; 13 Armada 13; 12 New Haven 13; 7 Almont 6; 19 Capac 12; 0 Anchor Bay 0; 41 Waterford Our Lady 19.
RETURNEES—Scott Scofield, QB; Doug Sparling, FB; Vic Trombley, E; Dave Armstrong, E; Neil Evans, T; Roy Kethe, T; Roy Bently, G; Todd Wheeler, G; Jim Krause, C; Willie Burke, TB; Mike Callahan, QB; Tom Hartway, C; Carl Babel, T; Jim Kelly, T; Gary Hay, HB; Dan Armstrong, CB; Tom Samulej, E; Ken McMartin, E.
SCHEDULE—St. Clair; Memphis; at Dryden; at Armada; at New Haven; Almont; at Capac; Anchor Bay; at Waterford Our Lady.

ALMONT

Fifteen lettermen return from the 1967 team which tied for second in the conference. Coach Jack Johnson is optimistic about the Raiders' season, because of depth and experience he has. John Bacholzky, who completed 65 per cent of his passes for 995 yards, returns at quarterback. Dennis Garner is an outstanding kicker who made field goals of 37 and 25 yards last fall. Larry Smith was all-conference at defense end, while Eric Neilsen is a top linebacker and guard.
ALMONT (5-3-1)—7 Armada 27; 9 Hartland 0; 2 New Haven 7; 14 Capac 7; 15 Anchor Bay 13; 6 Richmond 7; 0 Memphis 0; 12 Dryden 0; 19 Imlay City 0.
RETURNEES—John Bacholzky, QB; Frank Bacholzky, HB; Art Currey, HB; Roger Hunt, FL; Dennis Garner, E; Rick Roll, T; Ed Marshall, T; Eric Neilsen, G-LB; Doug Greenman, G; Jim Millikin, G; Gary Rimb, G; Darrell Brown, C; Jack Mayer, E; Larry Smith, E.
SCHEDULE—New Haven; Anchor Bay; Capac; Memphis; Richmond; Armada; Dryden; Imlay City.

NEW BALTIMORE ANCHOR BAY

Anchor Bay banks on all-leaguers Bryan Mousseau, a scatback halfback and huge Jerry Martin (6-foot-6, 240-pounds) in this year's race. Coach Ken Thayer has Tom Robine, 205-pound tackle also returning for a third year of varsity play with the Tars. Anchor Bay's biggest job is to fill the vacated holes in the offensive backfield.
ANCHOR BAY (3-4-1)—12 Marysville 41; 20 Capac 0; 13 New Haven 19; 13 Almont 15; 0 Dryden 14; 20 Memphis 6; 0 Richmond 0; 35 Armada 19.
RETURNEES—Bryan Mousseau, HB; Tom Robine, T; Jerry Martin, T; Larry Marcero, T; Larry Ignasiak, C; Frank Lentini, QB; Danny McCormack, G; Gary Nye, FB; Alan VanSullen, G; Frank Sikorski, T; David Schinzing, HB; Kelly Gonyeau, T; George Thomas, HB; Garth Benedict, FB; Bob Krauss, T; Dan Caldwell, HB; John Mattern, G; Jeff Bauer, HB; Bill Smith, HB.

CAPAC

Second year coach Tom Huebner is depending on youth as the Chiefs strive to improve on last season's 1-7 record. Problems are everywhere, but if an encouraging group of sophomores fills its potential, the Chiefs will be strong.

Replacing quarterback Jim Sanchez is Huebner's biggest job. Jim Seidell appears to be the top choice here, with fullback Brad Robinson (190) and Mike Brunelle, a 140-pound halfback, joining him in a veteran backfield.

Tackle Steve Glombowski is Huebner's top lineman, with ends Jim Murphy and Rick Roberts also full of talent. Center Rich Schaville helps give Huebner the nucleus of a solid line,

so the Chiefs can do nothing but improve this fall.
CAPAC (1-7)—0 Imlay City 14; 0 Anchor Bay 20; 7 Almont 14; 6 New Haven 13; 6 Dryden 19; 33 Memphis 19; 12 Richmond 19; 2 Armada 38.
RETURNEES—Steve Glombowski, T; Ed McIver, G; Brad Robinson, FB; Neil* Stegman, T; Jim Seidell, QB; Mike Brunelle, HB; Bob Friedsburg, C; Jim Murphy, E; Rick Roberts, E; Rich Schaville, C; Gary Mersino, G; Art Garza, T; Jerry Wordon, G; John Soye, HB.
SCHEDULE—Imlay City; Anchor Bay; at Almont; New Haven; Dryden; at Memphis; Richmond; at Armada; Yale.

MEMPHIS

The Yellow Jackets were hit hard by graduation and enter the '68 season with only seven returnees. Coach Warren Gleason looks in particular to seniors Jerry Barber at tackle, Dennis Haggerty at end, Bob Shirkey at guard and halfbacks Bob Thornsberry and Leland Storey.
MEMPHIS (1-6-1)—20 Harbor Beach OLLH 13; 0 Richmond 6; 0 Dryden 7; 6 Armada 26; 0 Almont 0; 19 Capac 33; 6 Anchor Bay 20; 0 New Haven 19.
RETURNEES—Jerry Barber, T; Floyd Fraley, G; Harold Frank, HB; Dennis Haggerty, E; Bob Shirkey, G; Leland Storey, HB; Bob Thornsberry, HB.

DRYDEN, though finishing with a .500 season, still was only third from the bottom last fall. The club could either go up or down in '68, depending upon injuries and breaks.

SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Niles, Dowagiac and Loy Norrix all could be as even as they were last fall, but Niles might be just a shade better based on outstanding individuals back.
Best Lineman: end Leon Roberts, Portage Northern;
Best Back: halfback Bill Haslett, Niles.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Loy Norrix	4	1	0	Portage Northern	2	3	0
Niles	4	1	0	St. Joseph	1	4	0
Dowagiac	4	1	0	Portage Central	0	5	0

LOY NORRIX

A fine group of returnees should make Loy Norrix a power in Southwestern Michigan again this season and keep the Knights at the top of the Big Six Conference once again. Coach Bob Barringer has 15 returning lettermen from last year's 7-2 team.
LOY NORRIX (7-2)—19 Sturgis 0; 43 Gull Lake 6; 14 Battle Creek Lakeview 13; 26 St. Joseph 6; 3 Dowagiac 13; 42 Portage Central 13; 9 Niles 0; 10 Portage Northern 0; 0 Kalamazoo Central 7.
RETURNEES—Howard Mitchell, QB; Stan Earl, HB; Jack Eberhard, HB; Craig Hammack, HB; Dan Thompson, FB; Terry Vanderberg, FB; Craig Schumm, C; Mark Perkins, C; Chris Haserodt, C; Tom Dekoning, G; Perry Clearwater, G; Zack Hamlett, T; Tim Crandall, T; Bruce Cavey, T; Ed Annew, E; Tom Vanderberg, E; Rod Anderson, E.
SCHEDULE—Sturgis; Battle Creek Lakeview; St. Joseph; Dowagiac; Portage Central; Niles; Portage Northern; Kalamazoo Central.

NILES

Coach Ed Weede has 14 letter winners returning from last year's 6-2-1 and tri-championship team around which he'll build the 1968 Viking team. One whom Weede is counting on is 165-pound halfback Bill Haslett, who was the Vikings' leading ground gainer last season. Quarterback likely will be John O'Reilly. Returning at end is 200-pound Dan Lindsteadt. Also returning are the second and third leading tacklers from last season, 185-pound tackle Craig Seekins and 180-pound center Doug Julian.
NILES (6-2-1)—20 Grand Rapids South 0; 7 Holland 0; 19 Portage Northern 0; 7 Buchanan 7; 14 St. Joseph 7; 0 Benton Harbor 12; 0 Kalamazoo Loy Norrix 9; 13 Dowagiac 6; 7 Portage Central 0.
RETURNEES—John O'Reilly, QB; Todd Tyler, HB; John Jones, HB; Al Batton, HB; Jerome Holloway, DHB; Bill Haslett, HB; Craig Kater, FB; Danny Quinn, LB; Craig Seekins, T; Doug Julian, C; Steve Racht, G; Mike Cronin, G; Ken Elledge, T; Pat Weede, LB; Dan Lindsteadt, E.
SCHEDULE—Grand Rapids South; Holland; Portage Northern; Buchanan; St. Joe; Benton Harbor; Kalamazoo Loy Norrix; Dawagiac; Portage Central.

DOWAGIAC

Eleven letermen return to try and defend a share of the league championship. The Chieftains have only one guard and one tackle returning. Bob Boles returns at quarterback, where he threw three TD passes as a sophomore. Willie White, who scored four TD's, including a 75-yarder last fall, returns to start at wingback. Bruce Bell leads the defense from his tackle position.
DOWAGIAC (7-2)—41 Three Rivers 20; 28 Coldwater 0; 26 St. Joseph 0; 28 Portage Central 0; 13 Kalamazoo Loy Norrix 3; 18 Kalamazoo Hackett 21; 13 Portage Northern 0; 6 Niles 13; 12 Buchanan 6.
RETURNEES—Bob Boles, QB; Phil Rose, QB; Mike Coffey, TB; Richard Anderson, E; Joe Neidlinger, FB; Willie White, WB; Garry Hammarstrom, G; Dennis Haskins, C; Bruce Bell, T; Alan Maxey, E; Terry Mathews, LB.
SCHEDULE—Three Rivers; Coldwater; St. Joseph; Portage Central; Kalamazoo Loy Norrix; Portage Northern; Niles; Buchanan.

PORTAGE NORTHERN

The Huskies have some fine backs and ends returning on both offense and defense. Holes are present in both lines and is the major area of concern for coach Bud Breed. The reserve team won a championship last fall and there are some fine prospects. If they come through, Northern should be a title contender.

End Leon Roberts, a 6-2½, 198-pounder is the outstanding player on the club. He has great speed and hauled in 52 passes last fall. Breed is considering a move to the backfield for him. In all, 14 lettermen return.
NORTHERN (4-5)—27 Allegan 24; 33 Battle Creek Pennfield 0; 0 Niles 19; 7 Sturgis 20; 7 Jackson St. John 26; 32 Portage Central 6; 0 Dowagiac 13; 0 Kalamazoo Loy Norrix 10; 19 St. Joseph 12.
RETURNEES—Bill Welch, QB; Jeff Doyle, E; Pat Walters, HB; Dick Engle, HB; Leon Roberts, E; Rod Tague, HB-E; Doug Barrow, C; Randy Blalock, G; Steve Dinges, G; Rod Hicks, G; Joe Wiley, T; Ron Kiracofe, G; Tim Wykert, E; Jim Bushouse, C.
SCHEDULE—Allegan; B.C. Pennfield; Niles; Sturgis; Portage Central; Dowagiac; Kalamazoo Loy Norrix; St. Joseph.

PORTAGE CENTRAL

The Mustangs have 27 letterwinners back from the squad which finished in the conference basement last fall. This includes 14 who were starters at least one way. Leading the offense is the pass-catch combination of quarterback Tom Pick and end Scott Terpstra (6-3) who caught 16 passes for 248 yards as a sophomore. Bob Ferguson (6-1, 190) is an outstanding offensive tackle and defensive end. He recovered three fumbles last year and made 61 tackles. Tom Morren (6-1, 190) is a strong and fast runner. Rebuilding the offensive line appears to be the biggest problem for coach Tom MacKenzie.
PORTAGE CENTRAL (1-8)—6 Kalamazoo Central 32; 6 Battle Creek Lakeview 26; 6 Jackson 36; 0 Dawagiac 28; 6 Portage Northern 32; 13 Kalamazoo Loy Norrix 42; 7 St. Joseph 14; 13 Kalamazoo Hackett 7; 0 Niles 7.
RETURNEES—Jim Beardsley, E; Dick Bishop, DHB; Dave Bolhuis, T; Dick Claxton, HB; Dave Corstange, C; Bob Ferguson, T; Terry Gallagher, E; Dan Hornak, T; Chuck Knapp, G; Chuck Lucas, C; Steve McKinley, DHB; Gary Meschke, G; Tom Morran, HB; Mike Murry, DHB; Jeff Mutz, G; Don Neale, C; Tom Pick, QB; Keith Ritter, T; Jim Scranton, C; Scott Terpstra, E; John Wielhouer, LB; Rich Wright, HB; Dennis Curtis, HB; Dave McKinley, E; Steve Horn, HB; Rick Egan, C; Randy Castle, E.
SCHEDULE—Kalamazoo Central; Battle Creek Lakeview; Gull Lake; Dowagiac; Portage Northern; Kalamazoo Loy Norrix; St. Joseph; Kalamazoo Hackett; Niles.

ST. JOSEPH finished next to last last season and will need solid improvement to avoid a repeat this time around.

SUBURBAN SIX LEAGUE

Allen Park is the best bet, Trenton is a possibility, and Bentley might just surprise everybody.
Best Lineman: tackle Dale Feldpausch, Trenton;
Best Back: halfback Leeroy Watson, Livonia Bentley.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Allen Park	5	0	0	Belleville	1	3	1
Trenton	3	1	1	Redford Union	1	3	1
Bentley	3	2	0	Plymouth	0	4	1

ALLEN PARK

Coach Norm Mihatsch's eleven returns the entire starting backfield plus seven linemen who won varsity letters. The Jaguars have a strong running attack, led by quarterback Chuck Beaney, who averaged over four yards per carry, and Gary Grundman, who averaged over five yards.
ALLEN PARK (8-1)—13 Melvindale 7; 20 Lincoln Park 12; 7 Bellevue 6; 20 Plymouth 14; 17 Bentley 13; 7 Trenton 6; 6 Edsel Ford 0; 0 Schafer 6.
RETURNEES—Keith Pretty, E; Bennie Falahee, E; Jim Crabtree, E; John Frazier, T; Al Glore, T; Bill Quiring, T; Bob Fodo, G; Frank Mitek, C; Mike Ferguson, B; Gary Grundman, B; Ron Reckinger, B; Chuck Beaney, QB; Ray DeMarti, QB.
SCHEDULE—Melvindale; at Lincoln Park; Redford Union; at Bellevue; Plymouth; at Bentley; Trenton; at Edsel Ford; Schafer.

TRENTON

After posting a 27-6-1 record in his first four seasons with the Trojans, coach Jack Castignola must rely on the sturdy shoulders of a group of sophomores, in addition to 12 re-

turning lettermen, for 1968 to be as equally successful. Leading the list of monogram winners is Dale Feldpausch (180 pounds), a fine offensive tackle.
TRENTON (5-4)—14 Wyandotte 40; 20 Pontiac Northern 26; 7 Bentley 6; 14 Belleville 12; 14 Redford Union 12; 6 Allen Park 7; 33 Plymouth 0; 6 Monroe 0; 7 Riverview 12.
RETURNEES—Keith Bouchard, C; John Choate, HB; Dale Feldpausch, T; Mark Gundick, HB; Steve Hallenbeck, C; Russ Hanlon, HB; Terry Kuharsky, G; Pat Murray, HB; Bob Rolak, G; Bob Sams, FB; Kyle Tobin, T; Pat Whaley, QB.
SCHEDULE—Wyandotte; Pontiac Northern; Belleville; Redford Union; Allen Park; Plymouth; Bentley; Monroe; Riverview.

LIVONIA BENTLEY

Leeroy Watson, a 170-pound halfback, and linebacker Bill Rice (190 pounds) head a list of 12 returning lettermen for coach Larry Joiner's Bulldogs. Although Watson, who rushed for 630 yards and tallied nine touchdowns, and Rice, a versatile performer, are back, Joiner needs a quarterback and some key line replacements to match last year's 6-2 team.
BENTLEY (6-2)—27 Farmington 12; 13 Dearborn 7; 6 Trenton 7; 33 Redford Union 0; 13 Allen Park 17; 20 Plymouth 7; 32 Belleville 0; 20 Franklin 7.
RETURNEES—Fred Howell, E; Bill Rice, G-LB; Bruce Neverfeld, G-LB; Mark Friedrichs, G; Leeroy Watson, HB; Bill Cascaden, HB; Tim Malone, FB; Edward Raether, FB; David Rice, HB; Mike Day, HB; Dan Koch, E; Greg Ockerman, G.
SCHEDULE—Farmington; Dearborn; Belleville; Trenton; Redford Union; Allen Park; Plymouth; Franklin.

BELLEVILLE

Belleville must rebuild in '68, in light of the loss of its entire offensive and defensive lines. The Tigers have much work to do in order to better their 4-3-2 record in '67.
BELLEVILLE (4-3-2)—20 Wayne 13; 26 Robichaud 13; 6 Allen Park 7; 12 Trenton 14; 13 Plymouth 13; 31 Redford Union 19; 0 Livonia 34; 6 Ypsilanti 6; 28 Monroe 0.
RETURNEES—Bruce Bara, HB; Gary Gentle, FB; Steve Hampton, HB; Norm Harrington, E; Derek King, HB; Lee Schmidt, E; John Yocum, QB; Doug Ketchum, G; Gregg Partridge, T.
SCHEDULE—at Wayne; Robichaud; Livonia; Allen Park; at Trenton; Plymouth; at Redford Union; at Ypsilanti; John Glenn.

PLYMOUTH

The Rocks lost 23 of 29 letterwinners to graduation from the squad which finished last in the conference. Coach Tom Moshimer must rebuild almost the entire line, with only one end and guard returning. Greg Corrigan (6-4, 210) is the end. Fullback Bob Thornbladh (6-1, 195) returns after a good sophomore year. He is an excellent blocker. On defense, he averaged ten tackles per game at linebacker.
PLYMOUTH (1-5-2)—20 Northville 14; 6 Farmington 12; 7 Redford Union 14; 13 Belleville 13; 14 Allen Park 20; 7 Livonia Bentley 20; 0 Trenton 32; 7 Walled Lake 7.
RETURNEES—Greg Corrigan, E; Marty Rossow, G; Bruce Bauman, QB; Walter Lee, HB; Bill Toby, HB; Bob Thornbladh, FB-LB.
SCHEDULE—Northville; at Farmington; at Trenton; Redford Union; at Allen Park; at Belleville; Livonia Bentley; Walled Lake.

REDFORD UNION was just a step above the league cellar last fall and will have to battle to stay out again.

THUMB B LEAGUE

Frankenmuth is probably the best, with Lakers a long shot and Vassar a darkhorse.

Best Lineman: guard George Tamblym, Bad Axe;
Best Back: fullback Archie MacGillivray, Vassar.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Frankenmuth	6	1	0	Caro	4	3	0
Lakers	5	2	0	Sandusky	1	4	2
Bad Axe	5	2	0	Marlette	1	5	1
Vassar	4	2	1	Cass City	0	7	0

FRANKENMUTH

The Eagles have won two consecutive conference championships, but are pressed for another. Tradition will be the big motivating factor, with 20 seniors having graduated off last year's 8-1 club. All-state fullback Gary Weiss is gone, but his brother Dale, who was the Eagles top defensive player with five fumble recoveries last year, is back. The offensive will center around back Dave Trinklein.
FRANKENMUTH (8-1)—19 Lutheran Seminary 7; 7 Lakers 6; 14 Caro 12; 13 Bad Axe 18; 40 Sandusky 6; 32 Vassar 20; 27 Marlette 6; 54 Cass City 0; 27 Otisville-Lakeville 0.
RETURNEES—Loren Rustem, E; Edgar Keinath, E; Bob Poellet, T; Pat Loveless, T; Harold Little, T; Dale Muehlfeld, G; Dave Dietzel, G; Bob Warnick, C; Tom Yoba, B; Chris Neuchterlein, B; Dave Trinklein, B; Dale Weiss, B; Gary Palmreuter, B; Mike Reif, B.
SCHEDULE—Lutheran Seminary; at Cass City; Lakers; Caro; Bad Axe; at Sandusky; Vassar; at Marlette; at Otisville-Lakeville.

BAD AXE

1968 is a rebuilding year for John Blackstock's Hatchets. '67 saw them go 5-4, finishing second in the conference. A small nucleus, including all-conference guard George Tamblym and all-conference end Mike McMullen, return to lead 16 lettermen.
BAD AXE (5-4)—19 Hemlock 20; 42 Cass City 6; 7 Lakers 12; 18 Frankenmuth 13; 6 Caro 27; 33 Vassar 13; 12 Sandusky 0; 30 Marlette 7; 7 Port Huron Northern 34.
RETURNEES—Dave Allen, QB; Hugh McCracken, HB; Phil Case, FB; John Rakowski, HB; Joe Benzie, T; Dick Healy, C; Mike McMullen, G; Stan Cottick, T; Bob McBride, T; Ed Gottschalk, T; George Tamblym, G; Greg Connors, E; Vern Detgen, E; Tom Hanselman, E; Dan Brown, G.
SCHEDULE—Hemlock; Marlette; Cass City; Lakers; Frankenmuth; Caro; Sandusky; Vassar.

VASSAR

Eleven lettermen return to give coach Larry Essenmacher a solid nucleus, in hopes of improving on last fall's fourth place finish. Leading the offense is fullback Archie MacGillivray, (5-11, 180) who was fifth in the league with 700 yards rushing and a 5.0 average. He has 1302 yards total for two years. MacGillivray also averaged over 37 yard on punts.
VASSAR (5-3-1)—12 Millington 13; 25 Caro 20; 20 Marlette 6; 28 Cass City 18; 14 Lakers 7; 20 Frankenmuth 32; 13 Bad Axe 33; 13 Sandusky 13; 28 Carrolton 25.
RETURNEES—David Ide, E; Dale Teschendorf, T; Don Teddy, G; John Baranski, C; David Holzkei, G; John Leonard, E; John Graubner, QB; Archie MacGillivray, FB; Del Vincent, TB; Tom Best, WB; Kip Seabright, E.
SCHEDULE—Millington; Sandusky; at Caro; Marlette; at Cass City; at Lakers; at Frankenmuth; Bad Axe.

SANDUSKY

After two seasons of building, coach Dick Darcy feels that his Redskins will jell in 1968. Last season the team managed just a 1-4-3 record. The workhorse of the offense is fullback Paul Stoliker, who averaged 7.2 yards per carry last season. Kyle Carney, a halfback-quarterback, is another offensive player worth watching.
SANDUSKY (1-4-3)—7 Cros-Lex 7; 7 Marlette 7; 20 Cass City 0; 0 Lakers 44; 6 Frankenmuth 40; 0 Bad Axe 12; 0 Caro 13; 13 Vassar 13.
RETURNEES—Tony Barren, G; Doug Bays, HB; Cy Bissett, C; Kyle Carney, B; Dave Gorringe, E; Mark Matter, E; Jack Sager, T; Paul Stoliker, FB; Jim Tereschuk, LB; Carl Wheeler, G.
SCHEDULE—at Cros-Lex; at Vassar; at Marlette; Cass City; Lakers; Frankenmuth; at Bad Axe; Caro.

MARLETTE

Inexperienced backs and small linemen caused Marlette a 1-7-1 record last year. The same problems are present this fall, and it's doubtful coach Jim McNally's Red Raiders will improve much on that mark. Backfield troubles exist at all the running positions, with no replacements in sight for graduated quarterback Dave Pollak and halfback Tom Beltz. A solid interior line lacks qualified ends, so the Raiders will be hard-pressed to reach a .500 season.
MARLETTE (1-7-1)—6 North Branch 7; 7 Sandusky 7; 6 Vassar 20; 0 Caro 18; 14 Cass City 0; 0 Laker 21; 6 Frankenmuth 27; 7 Bad Axe 30.

CASS CITY

This is a rebuilding year for coach John Bifoss' Red Hawks, who suffered a winless season in 1967 and finished at the bottom of the Thumb loop. Nine lettermen return, led by middle guard Tim Ravideau and halfback Bruce LeValley. No veterans return at center or quarterback.
CASS CITY (0-9)—0 Oscoda 34; 6 Bad Axe 42; 0 Sandusky 20; 18 Vassar 28; 0 Marlette 14; 6 Caro 28; 0 Lakers 34; 0 Frankenmuth 54; 0 North Branch 34.
RETURNEES—Mick Miracle, G; Gary Vollmer, FB; Bruce LeValley, HB; Tom Fulcher, FB; Don Wernette, G; Tim Rabideau, MG; Neil MacCallum, T; Fred Ryan, E; Tom Guinther, E.
SCHEDULE—at Mt. Morris; Frankenmuth; Bad Axe; at Sandusky; Vassar; at Marlette; at Caro; at Lakers; North Branch.

LAKERS will try to improve at least one game's worth to nudge into the league title, while CARO completes the League, and will try to move up from last season's fifth place finish.

TRI-CENTRAL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Just as last year, Lakeview and Portland figure to battle for the top spot.

Best Lineman: center Wendell Nielsen, Montabella;
Best Back: fullback Greg Ward, Portland.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Lakeview	5	1	0	Saranac	2	4	0
Portland	5	1	0	Montabella	1	5	0
Fulton	4	1	1	Carson City Crystal	0	5	1
Central-Montcalm	3	3	0				

LAKEVIEW

With 240-pound middle guard Martin Moser plugging up the middle on defense, and quarterback Bill Schmitz (185 pounds) running the offense, Wildcat coach Dave Clark looks for a good year. In addition to these two fine prospects, the Wildcats also return 16 lettermen, including ten starters from last year's team that posted a 5-2-1 mark in Clark's first year as head coach. Also back are guard John LaPar (175) and end Gail Lockwood (160).

LAKEVIEW (5-2-1)—6 Greenville 12; 7 Portland 20; 34 Carson City 0; 32 Montabella 15; 0 Big Rapids 0; 33 Fulton-Middleton 12; 34 Central Montcalm 13; 42 Saranac 2.

RETURNEES—Bill Schmitz, QB; John LaPar, E; Martin Moser, T; John VanderMyde, T; Phil Peasley, HB; Gary Quisenberry, C; Ruben Garcia, E; Gail Lockwood, E; Henry Behrenwald, HB; Ed Stokely, E; Mike Laper, HB; Keith Custer, HB; Jim Nelson, G; Alan Caswell, G; Bob Gummer, HB; Terry Dishong, HB.

SCHEDULE—Greenville; Portland; at Carson City; Montabella; at Big Rapids; at Fulton-Middleton; at Central Montcalm; Saranac.

PORTLAND

Solid in the backfield, but inexperienced in the front ranks, is the 1968 preview of first-year coach Fred Lowery's Raiders. After being assistant coach at Portland for nine campaigns, Lowery gets a shot at the head job with only nine returning lettermen. Leading the Raiders will be fullback Greg Ward (210 pounds), who toted the ball for a 6.2 yard average last year, and veteran quarterback Ken Goodwin.

PORTLAND (7-1)—13 Ovid-Elsie 6; 20 Lakeview 6; 12 Ful.-Middleton 13; 19 Maple Valley 7; 66 Central Montcalm 0; 45 Saranac 0; 38 Carson City 0; 43 Montabella 0.

RETURNEES—Jim Thompson, E; Jim Summers, T; Chuck Hoff, G; Jim Stump, C; Ken Goodwin, QB; Steve Lawrence, QB; Tom Kortes, LB; Larry Lawless, LB.

SCHEDULE—Ovid-Elsie; Lakeview; Fulton-Middleton; Maple Valley; Central Montcalm; Saranac; Carson City; Montabella.

FULTON-MIDDLETON

Sparked by two fine halfbacks and a rugged tackle, coach Al Fischer's Pirates have the nucleus of a solid team. With Bill Priest toting the ball for 415 yards and Dick Zamarrow adding 318 yards last year as juniors, the Pirates have an explosive one-two punch, while 200-pound, sophomore Doug First led the team in tackles with 92. In his second year, Fischer will try to improve on last year's 5-2-1 record.

FULTON-MIDDLETON (5-2-1)—0 Fowler 13; 33 Vestaburg 6; 13 Portland 12; 0 Carson City 0; 18 Saranac 7; 12 Lakeview 33; 12 Montabella 0; 21 Central Montcalm 14.

RETURNEES—Dick Zamarron, FB; Karl Blemaster, T; Bill Priest, HB; Keith Leslie, QB; Ed Reaume, HB; Larry Chick, E; Mark Dodge, C-G; Doug First, T; Rod Sattler, G.

SCHEDULE—at Fowler; Vestaburg; at Portland; Carson City; at Saranac; Lakeview; at Montabella; Cent. Montcalm.

CENTRAL MONTCALM

Coach Chuck Cilibraise has 17 regulars from last year's 3-5-1 team returning, including his entire offensive line and three backs, but the defense remains the big question mark for the Hornets. Bill Brundage, a 190-pound fullback, who carried the ball at a 5.2 yard clip, is the Hornets' captain, while All-Tri-Central defensive end, Sam Waldron (180 pounds), and linebacker Bob Hyde (180) also return.

MONTCALM (3-5-1)—13 Belding 21; 42 Montabella 0; 26 Vestaburg 0; 7 Saranac 7; 0 Portland 66; 7 Carson City 0; 13 Lakeview 33; 14 Fulton-Middleton 21; 7 Chippewa Hills 13.

RETURNEES—Bill Brundage, FB; Steve Gavitt, HB; Cris Williams, HB; Chuck Allen, FB; Bill Groom, HB; Mike Mazzola, QB; John Shick, FB; Sam Waldron, T; Joe Krum, C; Tom Rogers, G; Jerry Emmons, G; Bob Hyde, E; Bob Braman, E; Ken Greenhoe, T; Ray Petersen, T; Greg Shurlow, G; Dennis Thomsen, G.

SCHEDULE—at Belding; Montabella; Ravenna; at Saranac; Portland; at Carson City; Lakeview; at Fulton-Middleton; Chippewa Hills.

SARANAC

Nine letterwinners return for coach Nelson Terbaugh in what he calls a rebuilding year for the Saranac Redskins. Saranac was 3-4-1 last year, but Terbaugh is counting on to improve that record Tom Hecht, 160-pound guard. Expected to provide much of the running for the Redkins will be Bryce Weeks and Ken Harrington, both halfbacks, and Dave Courter, fullback. Helping Hecht on the line will be center Greg Miller and tackles Ed Brown and Scott Hubble. The Redskins lost their quarterback last season and finding a new one this year will be on of their big problems.

SARANAC (3-4-1)—0 Portland St. Patrick 27; 27 Carson City 0; 12 Montabella 6; 7 Central Montcalm 7; 7 Fulton 19; 0 Portland 45; 12 Springport 9; 2 Lakeview 40.

RETURNEES—Tom Hecht, G; Roger Rowley, E; Greg Miller, C; Bryce Weeks, HB; Ken Harrington, HB; Ed Brown, T; Scott Hubble, T; Norm Dawson, G; Dave Courter, FB.

SCHEDULE—Gobles; Carson City; at Montabella; Central Montcalm; Fulton; at Portland; Springport; at Lakeview.

MONTABELLA

Fourteen returning lettermen, including All-Tri-Central conference center Wendell Nielsen, figure to make coach Duane Bohne's junior-studded Mustangs much improved over last year's 2-6 slate. Nielsen, (190 pounds) who also averaged 14 tackles a game as a defensive tackle, is an honor roll student as well as the team captain.

MONTABELLA (2-6)—6 Breckenridge 18; 0 Central Montcalm 42; 6 Saranac 12; 15 Lakeview 32; 6 Carson City 0; 7 Vestaburg 6; 0 Fulton-Middleton 12; 0 Portland 43.

RETURNEES—James Beach, QB; Randy Farrell, HB; Toby Wymer, FB; Allen Hansen, HB; Chris Olsen, E; Ed Foster, E; Brad VanCoevering, E; James Bosch, T; Tom Webb, T; Ron Williams, T; Mick Morey, G; Brad Cook, G; Dan Howard, LB; Wendell Nielsen, C.

SCHEDULE—at Breckenridge; at Cent. Montcalm; Saranac; at Lakeview; Carson City; Fulton-Middleton; at Portland.

CARSON CITY CRYSTAL

The Eagles have no place to go but up after finishing in the cellar last fall. Coach Charles L. Carberry will have ten lettermen to work with, including five backs. He must find a guard and tackle to go with his veterans. Halfback Fred Cunningham rushed for 553 yards and a 6.1 average. None of the veterans weigh over 155.

CARSON CITY CRYSTAL (0-6-2)—6 Pewamo-Westphalia 6; 0 Saranac 28; 0 Lakeview 35; 0 Fulton-Middleton 0; 0 Montabella 6; 0 Central Montcalm 7; 0 Portland 38; 6 Vestaburg 19.

RETURNEES—Fred Cunningham, HB; Jerry Case, C; Wayne Brooks, HB; Dean Eller, G; Tom Steere, HB; Charles Cusack, E; Tim Peiffer, QB; Mike Cunningham, E; Rod Wiles, FB; John Burns, T.

SCHEDULE—Pewamo-Westphalia; Saranac; Lakeview; Fulton-Middleton; Montabella; Central Montcalm; Portland; Vestaburg.

TRI-RIVER CONFERENCE

Rockford and Sparta once again should challenge for the top, with league newcomer Greenville providing plenty of opposition. Coopersville could surprise.

Best Lineman: end Brad Bouk, Comstock Park;
Best Back: fullback Mike Nelson, Greenville.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Rockford	4	0	1	Comstock Park	2	3	0
Sparta	3	2	0	Belding	1	4	0
Cedar Springs	3	1	1	Lowell	1	4	0

CEDAR SPRINGS

The outlook for the Red Hawks is good, with ten lettermen returning for duty. At least four are considered standouts—all-conference back Mike Karasinski, second team all-conference tackle Larry Malanowski, 190-pound fullback Jack Smith and 205-pound lineman Lloyd Bigney. Others expected to help out are Doug Shaffer, Joe Troynowski, Alan Pike, Tom McIntyre, LaVern Jones and Tom Cramer.

SCHEDULE—at Reed City; Belding; Coopersville; at Comstock Park; Lowell; at Greenville; Sparta; at Rockford.

COMSTOCK PARK

Experience, but a lack of size, are the featured traits of the '68 Panthers. Only five men graduated. The backfield has experience and the ends are fine receivers. The line is small but quick. The defense is built around speed.

COMSTOCK PARK (3-5)—12 Northview 0; 19 Lowell 14; 12 Belding 0; 0 Rockford 42; 24 Caledonia 26; 6 Sparta 45; 0 Cedar Springs 16; 6 Middleville 20.

RETURNEES—Ken Broekema, HB; Jim McGoran, T; Dick Kienitz, FB; Harv Klifman, C; Gary Andree, E; Tom Fix, E; Bob Pahl, HB; Brad Bouk, E; Steve Eklund, E-LB; Dave Dewey, G; Ron Troupe, G; Steve Hews, T.

SCHEDULE—at Northview; at Coopersville; at Belding; Cedar Springs; Rockford; Sparta; Greenville; at Lowell; Middleville.

BELDING

The Redskins must depend on upcoming juniors to fill the holes in the line left by graduation. Belding closed strong in '67, with two wins and a tie and look to speedy halfback Chuck Loper and defensive standout Bill Crystler to continue that success. Also lettering in the backfield a year ago were quarterback Wayne King and fullback Phil Heintzelman.

BELDING (3-5-1)—21 Montcalm 13; 0 Rockford 28; 0 Comstock Park 12; 7 Middleville 33; 0 Cedar Springs 6; 24 Lowell 26; 24 Caledonia 14; 12 Sparta 0; 0 Greenville 0.

RETURNEES—Wayne King, QB; Chuck Loper, HB; Phil Heintzelman, FB; Dennis Wilson, E; Bob Schrauben, E; Bill Crystler, T; Rich White, G; Tim Morris, T; Pat Shannon, E; Pat Conroy, E.
SCHEDULE—Central Montcalm; Cedar Springs; Comstock Park; Coopersville; Greenville; Lowell; Rockford; Sparta; Caledonia.

LOWELL

The Red Arrows have 11 lettermen returning from the team which finished fifth in the league last fall. Cla Avery is back at defensive middle guard, where he led the team in tackles. Ron Wittenbach (210) leads the offensive line at tackle. Curt Fonger (180) is a fine offensive end.
RETURNEES—Jack Thomet, QB; Bob VanDyke, HB; Bill Bennett, FB; Cla Avery, G; Steve Thurtell, HB; Steve Johnson, C; Pat Goggins, G; Ron Wirrenbach, T; Steve Foss, G; Craig Schneider, T; Curt Fonger, E.
SCHEDULE—at Ionia; Greenville; Sparta; at Rockford; at Cedar Springs; Belding; at Coopersville; Comstock Park.

COOPERSVILLE

Bringing a winner to the Bronco school in his second year as head coach, William Friberg hopes to improve on last year's 5-4 slate this season. It marked the first time in ten years that Coopersville recorded a winning record.
COOPERSVILLE (5-4)—7 Zeeland 19; 6 Whitehall 20; 6 Ravenna 0; 19 Fremont 6; 8 Spring Lake 18; 6 Reeths-Puffer 3; 13 Fruitport 0; 13 Wayland 6; 0 Sparta 12.

GREENVILLE

Greenville enters the Tri-River Conference, and coach Ed Heiby expects it to be a tough one. The Yellow Jackets were 5-3-1 last season and Heiby will have 11 letterwinners returning. Among those are Mike Nelson, 185-pound fullback who averaged 7.2 yards last year. Ed Barnwell returns at fullback, although he'll get a battle from Phil Christensen for the job. Bab Malone and Rick Hall man the tackle positions, while Joe Muns, Mike Lewis, and Dan Dunham round out the rest of the line.
GREENVILLE (5-3-1)—12 Lakeview 6; 7 St. Johns 37; 13 Lakewood 6; 0 Ionia 27; 9 Charlotte 6; 13 Hastings 0; 0 Grand Ledge 32; 26 Alma 0; 0 Belding 0.
RETURNEES—Ed Barnwell, QB; Mike Nelson, FB; Al Colby, HB; Jeff Hacker, HB; Phil Christensen, QB; Jerry Rood, E; Bob Malone, T; Joe Muns, C; Mike Lewis, G; Dan Dunham, G; Rick Hall, T.
SCHEDULE—at Lakeview; at Lowell; Rockford; at Sparta; at Belding; Cedar Springs; at Comstock Park; Coopersville.

ROCKFORD was the champion last year, but should find plenty of opposition in quest of its title this fall.

SPARTA was a notch behind, but figures to be a tricky and tough club in '68.

TRI-RIVER LEAGUE

Plenty of teams could win the title, but incumbent Schafer still must be ranked the team to beat. Southgate and Riverside are distinct possibilities.

Best Lineman: guard Jim Fabris, Riverside;
Best Back: quarterback Bob Gamez, Schafer.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Schafer	7	0	0	Kennedy	3	3	1
Southgate	6	1	0	Lowrey	1	6	0
Riverside	4	2	1	Cherry Hill	1	6	0
Garden City West	4	3	0	Crestwood	1	6	0

SCHAFER

Coach Nick Wurmlinger welcomes back 12 letterwinners in quest for a second straight undefeated season. Last season the Vikings allowed 3.4 points per game and were ranked seventh in the Class A poll. The key to success this season is the return of quarterback Bob Gamez, who is an excellent play-caller and ball-handler. Also returning is halfback Tim Randall and ends Bob Dauzet and Steve Swetz. On defense is Larry Bryant, an outside linebacker.
SCHAFER (9-0)—27 Taylor Center 0; 40 Crestwood 0; 25 Kennedy 6; 24 Southgate 19; 18 Cherry Hill 0; 7 Riverside 0; 22 Garden City West 0; 24 Lowrey 6; 6 Allen Park 0.
RETURNEES—Bob Gamez, QB; Tim Randall, HB; Larry Bryant, FB; George Shukis, G; Mike McPhee, C; Claude Ressler, T; Paul Green, G; Jeff Setser, G; Bob Dauzet, E; Steve Swetz, E; Mark Rinna, HB; Bill Junge, E.
SCHEDULE—Taylor Center; at Lowrey; Crestwood; at Kennedy; Southgate; at Riverside; Cherry Hill; at Garden City West; at Allen Park.

SOUTHGATE

Despite losing some fine players, coach Robert Mittlestat's Sabers expect to have a good nucleus on which to rebuild. He needs help from the junior varsity to repeat his record of 6-1 last year. Success depends on quarterback Ed Freitag, who teams with fullback Mike Pilington, tailback-split end Rick Down and tight end Rick Gabriel. Oustanding in the line is Eric Shilakes, who plays both guard and defensive end.
SOUTHGATE (6-1)—26 Dearborn 13; 13 Edsel Ford 20; 12; Riverside 0; 19 Shafer 24; 20 Cherry Hill 0; 19 Kennedy 13; 19 Crestwood 0; 13 West 0; 6 Melvindale 14.
RETURNEES—Lou Byar, LB; Steve Lanle, C; Bill Franklin, F; Ed Freitag, QB; Mike Pilkington, FB; Rick Down, TB-E; Eric Shilakes, G-DE; Rick Gabriel, TE; John Yeager, T; John Krumey, G.
SCHEDULE—Dearborn; Garden City; Lowrey; Riverside; Schafer; Cherry Hill; Kennedy; Crestwood; Melvindale.

DEARBORN HEIGHTS RIVERSIDE

Jim Fabris, all-league defensive guard and the '68 captain, is the key returnee for the Rebels of coach E. K. Futrell. Hopes are high that Riverside can at least equal last fall's 6-2-1 effort.
RIVERSIDE (6-2-1)—20 Garden City East 6; 13 Cherry Hill 6; 14 Garden City West 0; 0 Southgate 13; 20 Lowrey 6; 0 Shafer 7; 24 Crestwood 13; 6 Kennedy 6.
RETURNEES—Dave Bajorek, E; Robert Barnett, E; Ken Barrow, T; James Blaszczyk, T; Kraig Drovillard, T; James Fabris, G; Claude Gagnon, T; Mark Gluski, G; Leon Igras, B; Richard Mason, B; Jack Pilat, B; David Schroeder, G; Ronald Stewart, B; Larry Turek, B; Robert Wiedmaier, B.
SCHEDULE—at Garden City East; Cherry Hill; at Garden City West; at Southgate; at Lowrey; Schafer; at Crestwood; at Kennedy.

GARDEN CITY WEST

Success this season for coach Harold Burkholder's Tigers depends on how well the young players perform. The offensive line is strong. A big defensive line is anchored by Essa Sackllah, a 6-foot, 322-pounder, who was on the junior varsity last year. Other key men on defense are all-conference tackle Mike McClain and second team all-league linebacker Carl Dork. Sparkling at defensive end are Dave Leemgraven, who is in his third year on the varsity.
GAREN CITY (4-3)—7 John Glenn 12; 0 Riverside 12; 20 Cherry Hill 13; 20 J. F. Kennedy 14; 25 Crestwood 20; 26 Lowrey 12; 0 Schafer 23; 0 Southgate 13; 12 Garden City East 14.
RETURNEES—Craig Wilson, E; Scott Frazier, HB; Craig Sylvester, QB; Mike McClain, T; Dave Leemgraven, T-DE; Carl Dork, G-LB; Jerry Hopkins, HB; Mike Millspaugh, LB; Craig Kennen, HB.
SCHEDULE—John Glenn; Southgate; at Riverside; at Cherry Hill; J. F. Kennedy; at Crestwood; at Lowrey; Schafer; Garden City East.

KENNEDY

With the loss of 19 lettermen, coach Robert Sclater's Eagles have a major rebuilding job on their hands. Eight lettermen return, with Rex Baugh, a 185-pound fullback, the key player. Quarterback Mike O'Malley must come through with flying colors to improve on last season.
KENNEDY (3-3-1)—13 Robichaud 0; 19 Cherry Hill 6; 6 Schafer 24; 14 Garden City 20; 26 Lowrey 8; 14 Southgate 20; 6 Riverside 6; 20 Crestwood 12; 7 Taylor Center 0.
RETURNEES—Steve Gorski, E; Stu Kerr, C; Ron Gyorkos, G; Keith Baxter, G; Rex Baugh, FB; Bob Schlender, HB; Jim Chapman, HB; Mike O'Malley, QB.
SCHEDULE—Robichaud; Crestwood; Cherry Hill; Schafer; Garden City; Lowrey; Southgate; Riverside; Taylor Center.

CHERRY HILL

Coach Joe LaScoia has a good nucleus returning in an attempt to escape last season's cellar finish. Among the ten letterwinners are seven linemen, anchored by center Paul Knight (200). The Spartans have only one veteran tackle. They must also find a quarterback and fullback to go with halfbacks Karl Knoll (190) and Gary Wilhelm. Knoll was the leading ground-gainer and outstanding player on the team last fall.
CHERRY HILL (1-8)—6 Temperance Bedford 20; 6 Garden City West 12; 6 Taylor Kennedy 19; 13 Crestwood 7; 6 Southgate 20; 0 Schafer 20; 0 Lowrey 6; 13 Riverside 7; 0 Wayne 26.
RETURNEES—Karl Knoll, HB; Gary Wilhelm, HB; Larry Schafer, E; Bill Street, E; Mitch Hause, DHB; Ed Rodzik, T; Mike Sweet, G; Mike Wert, G; Paul Knight, C; Steve Transeth, G.
SCHEDULE—at Thurston; at Riverside; at Taylor Kennedy; Garden City West; Crestwood; Southgate; at Schafer; Lowrey; at Wayne.

CRESTWOOD

After a 2-7 record last season, coach Jim Fletcher sees a better year in 1968 for his Chargers. Sixteen letterwinners are back from last season. Quarterback appears to be the most crucial. Juniors Dave Treachler and Gary Marley will battle it out for the spot. Tim Wilkes, a 5-10, 185-pound junior fullback, is the only tested back returning, while Ron Rice, Don Rousseau and Jerry Folmar vie for the other running spot. Stalwarts on the line are co-captains Lee Potts and Pete Ehlendt, guards.
CRESTWOOD (2-7)—12 Inkster 7; 0 Schafer 40; 12 Lowrey 7; 7 Cherry Hill 13; 20 Garden City West 25; 13 Riverside 25; 0 Southgate 19; 13 Kennedy 20; 0 Clarenceville 19.

RETURNEES—Bill Byrd, E; Al Dobies, G; Pete Ehlendt, G; Guy Gismondi, G; Russ Helmer, E; Chuck Kalil, G; Bill Kandilian, T; Lee Potts, G; Bill Radulovich, E; Mike Ray, E; Joe Choma, T; Bob Day, T; Gary Marley, QB; Greg Ratliff, E; Ron Rice, HB; Tim Wilkes, FB.
SCHEDULE—at Inkster; Kennedy; at Schafer; Lowrey; at Cherry Hill; Garden City West; Riverside; at Southgate; at Clarenceville.

LOWREY will fight to better its 1-6 mark of last season and has a good chance to improve.

TWIN VALLEY ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Though losing much talent, Albion again should be the class of the league.

Best Lineman: guard Larry Tedrow, Battle Creek Pennfield;

Best Back: halfback Dick Rodgers, Hillsdale.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Albion	6	0	0	Marshall	2	4	0
Sturgis	4	2	0	Coldwater	1	4	1
Hillsdale	4	2	0	Harper Creek	1	5	0
Pennfield	2	3	1				

ALBION

Eighteen lettermen return from 1967's undefeated Wildcat squad, but only three of them are regulars as coach Ivan Muhlenkamp calls this season "a rebuilding one." Rolling to a 9-0 record in Muhlenkamp's third year as head coach, only Willie Lane (185), Doug Egnatuk (180) and Louis Sims (160) return to this year's team. Muhlenkamp has an impressive three-year mark of 22-3.
ALBION (9-0)—33 Hastings 20; 13 Sturgis 0; 33 Coldwater 13; 25 Pennfield 6; 22 Jackson St. Johns 0; 18 Hillsdale 7; 19 Harper Creek 6; 13 Marshall 7; 20 Lansing Waverly 6.
RETURNEES—Louis Sims, HB; Grayling Tolbert, HB; Terry Jones, HB; Dave Moore, HB; Nate Bogon, QB; Bob Baker, QB; Joe Young, WB; Mark Comfort, WB; Dave Carrier, E; Don Hawkins, E; Willie Lane, T; Doug Egnatuk, G; Nat Callowey, T; Dave Wilebaugh, T; Berry Young, G; Chris Tanner, G; Mark Gilbert, C; Chuck Walker, T.
SCHEDULE—Hastings; Sturgis; Coldwater; Pennfield; Jackson Lumen Christi; Hillsdale; Harper Creek; Marshall; Willow Run.

STURGIS

A fine crop of reserves to choose from, plus 15 returning lettermen should give coach Harley Pierce plenty of material to work with in '68. It will still take lots of effort to top the 5-4 1967 record. Sparking the Trojans again will be quarterback Jeff Osborn who led the team as a sophomore. Jeff is an excellent student as well as an excellent passer.
STURGIS (5-3)—0 Loy Norrix 19; 0 Albion 13; 34 Harper Creek 0; 26 Portage Northern 12; 7 Marshall 0; 19 Pennfield 0; 33 Hillsdale 0; 0 Coldwater 6.
RETURNEES—Tim Beally, E; Bob Blue, HB; Craig Fisher, HB; Dave Foley, E; Ron Hudson, HB; Craig Martin, C; Lucky Lawrence, T; Bob Mollsen, T; Ron Nusbaum, HB; Mark Roberts, T; Dan Ryan, QB; Thea Terrell, HB; Roy Watson, FB; Phil Weick, G.
SCHEDULE—Loy Norrix; at Albion; Harper Creek; at Portage Northern; at Marshall; Pennfield; at Hillsdale; Coldwater; Three Rivers.

HILLSDALE

Hillsdale heads into the '68 season with a rebuilding job ahead for coach Arv Erholtz. The Hornets will depend heavily on their junior class with 12 lettermen back. Halfback Dick Rodgers, the leading scorer in the conference a year ago, is among the returnees. Up front to clear the way are 235-pound tackle Rusty Sanford and 205-pound tackle Tom Rogers. Quarterback Ward Moore will handle the signal-calling chores.
HILLSDALE (4-5)—13 Tecumseh 26; 1 Marshall (forfeit) 0; 0 Jackson St. John 34; 0 Hudson 13; 46 Coldwater 19; 38 Pennfield 6; 7 Albion 18; 0 Sturgis 33; 20 Harper Creek 7.
RETURNEES—Ward Moore, QB; Randy Barber, HB; Rusty Sanford, T; Doug May, C; Tom Gochanour, B; Doug French, E; Bill Marriott, E; Joel Leonard, FB; Tom Rogers, T; Dave Arnold, HB; Dave Burke, G; Dick Rodgers, HB.
SCHEDULE—Tecumseh; Marshall; Hudson; Coldwater; Pennfield; Albion; Sturgis; Harper Creek.

BATTLE CREEK PENNFIELD

Coach Al Gibbs points to a veteran defense to lead Battle Creek Pennfield into the first division. While the passing game and over-all team speed must be improved, four tackles tipping the scale at 185 or better, Doug Barker, Dave Barker, Jim Burton and Gary Jackson, lend plenty of power. Quarterback Steve Pratt was all-league a year ago as a defensive back, while defensive tackle and team leader Larry Tedrow is back in the line for the Panthers.
PENNFIELD (3-5-1)—12 BC Springfield 32; 0 Portage North. 33; 26 Marshall 0; 25 Albion 6; 6 Hillsdale 38; 0 Sturgis 19; 7 Coldwater 7; 0 St. Philip 20; 19 Harper Creek 6.
RETURNEES—Steve Pratt, QB; Larry Edrow, G; Tom Morse, G; Dave Erickson, E; Doug Barker, T; Dave Barker, T; Jim Burton, T; Gary Jackson, T; Buck Parrott, G; Gary Winans, B; Randy Reeves, B; Mike Perun, B.
SCHEDULE—at BC Springfield; at Portage Northern; at Marshall; Albion; Hillsdale; at Sturgis; Coldwater; at BC St. Philip; Harper Creek.

MARSHALL

The Redskins have 13 lettermen back from last year's team which finished fifth. Seven defensive and three offensive starters are back. Coach Stan Kendziorski has a fine two-way player returning in Jim Anderson who scored 5 TD's while averaging 5.1 yards rushing at fullback and averaged seven unassisted tackles per game on defense. Don Sundberg was all-conference at defensive end. Two big tackles return in Gene Fitzpatrick (6-3, 230) and Dave Keiper (205).
MARSHALL (3-4)—0 Pennfield 26; 40 Harper Creek 0; 0 Sturgis 7; 39 Coldwater 0; 26 Gull Lake 10; 7 Albion 13; 0 Hastings 7.
RETURNEES—Jim Anderson, FB; Tom Schneider, QB; Bruce Murphy, QB; Dale Gilger, HB; Don Sundberg, T; Dave Keiper, T; Gene Fitzpatrick, T; Dan Wallen, G; Bill Perry, G; Jeff Hoeltzel, C; Jim Gabriel, E; Jeff Sherman, E; Mike Whitteker, LB.
SCHEDULE—Battle Creek Lakeview; Hillsdale; Pennfield; Harper Creek; Sturgis; Coldwater; Gull Lake; Albion; Hastings.

COLDWATER

The Cardinals, under coach Al Schorfhaar, are still in the process of rebuilding, with 17 lettermen back from last season's sixth place club. They have an experienced backfield, led by fullback Craig Steele (195). On the line, Jim Hashley (205) is the pivot.
COLDWATER (1-6-1)—0 Bronson 6; 0 Dowagiac 28; 13 Albion 33; 19 Hillsdale 45; 0 Harper Creek 7; 7 Pennfield 7; 6 Sturgis 0; 0 Marshall 39.
RETURNEES—Pat Byrne, E; Steve Dirschell, E; Neil Haack, T; Jim Cuthbert, T; Dave Walzer, E; Bob Hagaman, G; Fred Pope, E; Jim Hashley, C; Mike Pavka, C; Larry Sherrick, C; Mike Doll, QB; Craig Steele, FB; John Borden, FB; Bob Watson, HB; Doug Rogers, HB; Mike Nelson, HB; Mike Tryon, HB.
SCHEDULE—Bronson; Dowagiac; at Albion; Hillsdale; at Harper Creek; Marshall; at Pennfield; at Sturgis.

BATTLE CREEK HARPER CREEK

Coach Lee Johnson is highly optimistic about the 1968 season despite winning only one of nine games last fall. The Beavers, who have 14 lettermen returning, will be able to start the same offensive line from 1967. On defense, seven starters return. Joe Schwarz returns in the backfield where he rushed for 437 yards last fall to lead the team as a sophomore. Three big tackles also return: Doug Swan (215), Rocky Hunt (210), and Ken Miller (215). The key to the offense could be the development of a sophomore quarterback to direct the attack.
HARPER CREEK (1-8)—13 Gull Lake 20; 6 St. Philip 13; 0 Sturgis 34; 0 Marshall 40; 7 Coldwater 0; 20 Jackson Northwest 32; 6 Albion 19; 7 Hillsdale 20; 7 Pennfield 19.
RETURNEES—Rick Allman, DB; Bruce Bishop, DB; Steve Crow, FB; Ron Flanders, C; Jeff Owens, DB; Doug Rocho, E; Doug Swan, T; Scott White, G; Wayne Haggerty, DE; Mike Hodge, LB; Bill Howard, G; Rocky Hunt, T; Ken Miller, T; Joe Schwarz, HB.
SCHEDULE—at Perry; St. Philip; at Sturgis; Marshall; Coldwater; at Gull Lake; Albion; at Hillsdale; at Pennfield.

TWIN VALLEY LEAGUE

Willow Run is again the heavy favorite, while Ecorse could provide some problems.

Best Lineman: tackle Mike Glass, Willow Run;

Best Back: halfback John Baskin, Willow Run.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Willow Run	5	0	0	River Rouge	2	3	0
Monroe C. C.	3	2	0	Hamtramck	2	3	0
Ecorse	3	2	0	Romulus	0	5	0

WILLOW RUN

The Flyers, 8-1 last fall for the second year in a row, won't be quite as fast, but still faster than most other teams. Halfback John Baskin will be only a fraction slower than the graduated Dave Hart in the backfield, while Mike Glass will anchor the line from his tackle position. The Flyers have been rated fourth in the Associated Press Class B poll the past two years after winning the mythical title in 1963. Five Willow Run foes are Class A schools.
SCHEDULE—Port Huron Catholic; Garden City East; at Flint Northwestern; at Ecorse; River Rouge; at Hamtramck; Romulus; at Albion.

ECORSE

Coach Ralph Buckles has 11 lettermen back from last season's 5-3 club, seven of them being linemen. The returnees include quarterback Dennis Smith, guards Sam Howard and

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1) SAGINAW BUENA VISTA—1967 STATE CLASS B CHAMPIONS

2) *Inland Lakes finished* 5-2 *in* 1967.

Front row (left to right) manager Paul Schaub, Art Marosi, Fred Guarnieri, Dave Oczepek, Bob Stratman, Dave Tolliver, Art Burgman, John Turner, Mel O'Daniels, Gary Gerken, Ralph Carter, Frank Richards, Walt Zientek, and manager Bob Krenz. Second row (left to right) head coach Al Quick, assistant Ralph Schaberg, Allen Leslie, Dale Merlone, Bob Foote, Mike Hetzner, Jim Grover, Tim Hoffman, Ron Gorney, Ron Sy, Bob Bishop, John Jackson, Bill Ribble, assistant Bob Quinn and manager Dale Colpean. Third row (left to right) Jack Young, Vic Chaney, Neil Katzenberger, Jim Rance, Dave Leichner, Van Brown, Bill Prince, Mark Kowalski, Darrell Howell, Don McClure, Del Zimmerman and manager Mike Arnold.

3) *Dexter's Phil Harris tries to escape the clutches of Stockbridge players in game last fall won by Stockbridge,* 19-14.

4) *Au Gres' Don Ott speeds for yardage in homecoming game against Hillman last season. Other Au Gres player pictured is Jim Churillo* (66).

5) *Au Gres quarterback Don Kammerzell follows Larry Packard* (9) *against Atlanta last season.*

6) *An unidentified Portage Northern player scores Northern's first touchdown of the game last year against Allegan. Northern won the season opener,* 27-24.

7) *The elements plague Michigan high school football every year, as shown here in game played by Portage Northern last season.*

Ron Jones, tackles Ron Matthews and Presidee Robinson, center Michael Civingan, ends Ira Jackson and William Mattison, and backs Robert Otis, Lionell McCleskey and Charles Griffen.
SCHEDULE—at Bedford; Inkster; at River Rouge; Willow Run; Romulus; Hamtramck; at Edsel Ford; Port Huron Catholic.

ROMULUS

Coach George R. Pratt has 18 lettermen returning from last fall's cellar club. The Eagles have a veteran at every position except center. Nate Williams (215) is a good linebacker and fullback. Lewis Davis is an outstanding defensive end. Jim Bird (200), John Wagner (260), and Ron Hickman (230) are three big tackles.
ROMULUS (0-8-1)—0 Livonia Franklin 32; 0 Wayne 12; 12 Hamtramck 13; 0 Monroe Catholic Central 59; 6 Ecorse 34; 0 River Rouge 20; 0 Willow Run 34; 6 Inkster 6; 0 Inkster Robichaud 20.
RETURNEES—Paul Seestadt, QB; Chris Glinski, QB; Ray Horn, HB; Blaine Cappaert, HB; Nate Williams, FB-T-LB; Lewis Davis, HB-DE; John Stanek, T; Jim Bird, T; John Wagner, T; Cleo Gooden, T; Ron Hickman, T; Bronson Bell, G; Woody Barker, G; Ken Parker, G; Pat Gaddy, G; Larry Smith, E; Phil Derwinski, E; Tom Block, E.
SCHEDULE—at Livonia Franklin; Wayne Memorial; at Hamtramck; Lincoln Park; at Ecorse; River Rouge; at Willow Run; Inkster; at Robichaud.

Completing the league are RIVER ROUGE and HAMTRAMCK, both 2-3 and tied for fourth in the loop a year ago. Both figure to improve some in '68.

U. S. 10 CONFERENCE

Clare again is a heavy favorite, but Reed City could pose a serious threat.

Best Lineman: end Craig Bienz, Sanford-Meridian;
Best Back: quarterback Doug Sims, Reed City.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Clare	5	0	0	Coleman	2	3	0
Reed City	4	1	0	Evart	1	4	0
Meridian	3	2	0	Farwell	0	5	0

CLARE

Nothing could go wrong for coach Gary Rayburn's Pioneers last season as they swept to a 9-0 season, winning the conference championship hands down. Rayburn, who enters his second year of handling Pioneer football, created a tough act to follow in his rookie season, but will certainly be ready for an encore. Graduation wiped out a lot of outstanding performers, but Rayburn, who was coaching junior varsity football two years ago, will be handling the same players for the third straight year and will get the most from them. An undefeated season is not likely, but the Pioneers should come out on the right side of the ledger.
CLARE (9-0)—7 Gladwin 0; 3 Ithaca 0; 10 Reed City 0; 26 Coleman 7; 26 Evart 13; 26 Farwell 6; 19 Sanford-Meridian 0; 19 Cheboygan 0; 32 Shepherd 0.

REED CITY

Reed City chases the conference championship with a triple threat quarterback at the helm. Doug Sims connected on 60 per cent of his passes last season, averaged 7.5 yards a carry, and handles the team's punting chores. Coach Dave Goodell, who has a 20-4 record after three years as the Coyotes' head coach, says he has a good light squad, with speed and an unbeaten junior varsity squad to fill in for 16 graduated seniors. Tom Kingsbury and Mike St. Onge are the best from the defensive unit.
REED CITY (6-2)—25 Cedar Springs 12; 21 Big Rapids 0; 0 Clare 10; 32 Coleman 7; 65 Farwell 0; 13 Meridian 12; 50 Evart 0; 0 Manistee Catholic 21.
RETURNEES—Doug Sims, QB; Steve DeWitt, HB; Tom Kingsbury, FB; Mike St. Onge, T; Louie Stieg, QB; Harry Simmer, HB; Bill Chupp, HB; Mike Hurst, C; Doran Eichenberg, C; Tim White, G; Ray McDowell, E; Jim Fleiachhauer, E; Mike Giggy, E; Bruce Lincoln, G; Roger Gaedcke, G; Gerry Lindsay, T; Jerry Block, T; Ken Samuels, T; Paul Knuth, FB; Daryl Dibble, FB; Gary Garvon, HB.

SANFORD-MERIDIAN

A partial rebuilding job in the line to complement what could be a strong backfield, is the chore coach Val Young faces. The Mustangs lost three all-conference linemen from last year's 4-5 team, but have a light, quick backfield as a potential strong point. Quarterback Bruce Fillmore hit on 23 of 72 pass attempts last year for 291 yards and has all-area end Craig Bienz to throw to. Rich Finney at middle guard and Bill Stoneburner at end are both hard-nosed defensive performers.
SANFORD-MERIDIAN (4-5)—6 Pinconning 12; 0 Chippewa Hills 6; 13 Coleman 0; 20 Evart 0; 8 Farwell 0; 12 Reed City 13; 0 Clare 19; 6 Beaverton 0; 18 Bullock Creek 32.
RETURNEES—Wes Benjamin, FLB; Jeff Gordon, QB; Bruce Fillmore, QB; Rich Finney, HB; Eddie Maticka, FLB; Randy Scharich, TB; Dave Dunn, TB; Craig Bienz, E; Bill Stoneburner, E; Ken Mault, T; Larry Thorp, T; Dave Schrantz, C; Greg Whitmer, G; John Sheffbuch, G.
SCHEDULE—at Pinconning; Chippewa Hills; at Coleman; Evart, Farwell; at Reed City; Clare; Beaverton; Bullock Creek.

COLEMAN

Halfback Mike Gorden, a strong, fast, two-way performer, tops the list of 14 returning letterwinners for the Comets. Dan Dedloff and Scott Methner return at quarterback. Coach Jerry Falor's team should have a strong defense and a balanced offense.
COLEMAN (3-5)—7 Reed City 31; 6 Clare 26; 0 Meridian 13; 25 Evart 6; 13 Farwell 7; 0 Beaverton 14; 13 Houghton Lake 0; 0 Harrison 13.
RETURNEES—Rex Aultman, G-T; Dick Young, E; Warren Dassey, E; Vern Ruhle, E; Dan Dedloff, QB; Walt Schreiber, HB; Mike Gorden, HB; Bruce Tigner, FB; Tom Ruhle, T-G; Al Dana, C; Jim Clapperton, G; Rick Neilson, T; Scott Methner, QB; John Tice, HB.
SCHEDULE—Beaverton; Houghton Lake; Meridian; Clare; at Reed City; at Evart; at Farwell; at Harrison.

FARWELL

New coach Bob Mooney has nine lettermen back to form the nucleus of the team which finished in the cellar last fall. The Eagles have experienced lines, but green offensive and defensive backfields. All-area middle guard Gary Fletcher (6-3, 250) returns, as does linebacker Steve Klinge (190), who was all-conference and led the team in tackles. Quarterback Mike Darnell completed 65 per cent of his passes. Gary Poesens caught four TD passes and was the leading receiver. Larry Renner (5-10, 240) was all-area and returns at center and defensive tackle.
FARWELL (1-7)—6 Morley-Stanwood 12; 19 Beaverton 6; 6 Evart 13; 6 Clare 26; 0 Reed City 65; 6 Coleman 13; 6 Sanford-Meridian 19; 6 Beal City 12.
RETURNEES—Larry Renner, C-DT; George Post, QB-DB; Steve Klinge, LB; Gary Fletcher, DT; Barry Van Buskirk, T-DE; Gary Poesens, E-DB; Dennis Perkins, E; Mike Darnell, QB-LB; Dan Carr, G-LB.
SCHEDULE—Morley-Stanwood; at Beaverton; at Evart; Reed City; at Meridian; at Clare; Coleman; at Beal City.

EVART should receive a stiff challenge from FARWELL in escaping the league cellar. Evart will have a struggle on its hands this fall.

VALLEY CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

S. S. Peter and Paul should win again, but Holy Redeemer ought to be right behind, with St. James and St. Michael posing other serious challenges.

Best Lineman: end Andy Polzin, St. Andrew;
Best Back: quarterback Chris Boyd, S. S. Peter and Paul.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
S. S. Peter & Paul	9	0	0	Flint St. Michael	6	3	0
Flint Holy				Saginaw St. Andrew	3	6	0
Redeemer	8	1	0	Flint St. Agnes	2	7	0
Bay City St. James	7	2	0	Flint St. John	1	8	0

For reports on Flint schools Holy Redeemer, St. Michael, St. Agnes, and St. John Vianney, see Flint Area Parochial League.

SAGINAW S. S. PETER & PAUL

Saginaw S. S. Peter and Paul's football coach Leo (Smokey) Boyd enters his 14th year as head man of Crusader fortunes this season and for the first time faces serious problems everywhere.

The veteran coach, who has compiled an incredible 82-33-3 record while building the Crusaders into a feared football power, has a major rebuilding job ahead this fall.

The Crusaders are playing an independent schedule this season—victims of reshuffling in the conference—and if their opponents—who have not yet been signed, are of typical VCC caliber, 1968 could become a long season.

Top job is replacing high-scoring halfback Dick Edwards.

Emphasis this fall switches to a passing offense and here Boyd has a few things to smile about. Junior Chris Boyd—Smokey's son—is back after a tremendous sophomore season. Veteran flankers Mike Buscarino (165) and Jim Reynolds (180) supply the 180-pound quarterback with dependable receivers.
SS PAUL (9-0)—32 Ithaca 20; 26 Saginaw St. Mary 13; 7 Flint Holy Redeemer 6; 13 Bay City St. James 12; 48 Flint St. John 0; 43 Flint St. Agnes 0; 25 Carrollton 6; 19 Flint St. Michael 6; 25 Saginaw St. Andrew 0.
RETURNEES—Jim Reynolds, E; Mike Buscarino, E; Mike McWilliams, G; Mike Ray, G; Pat Ray, G; George Lukezic, T; Nick Nehmer, T; Bill Janetsky, C; Terry Call, HB; Charlie Rytlewski, HB; Jack Ferhau, HB; Buddy Watz, HB; Chris Boyd, QB; John Kolton, E; Roger Hulett, T; Greg Korkus, C.

SAGINAW ST. ANDREW'S

The Bulldogs have an excellent chance of improving on last season's 3-5-1 record accomplished under first year coach Frank Brogger. The running attack has improved, with junior Tony Provenzano back after a fine sophomore season, along with senior Art Guimond. Charles Premo will quarterback the young Bulldogs and has a top-notch receiver in end Andy Polzin. Ken Call could crash the starting backfield, while cousin Fran Call is set at guard. St. Andrew's has a clear shot at the title.

ST. ANDREW'S (3-5-1)—17 Sag. St. Mary's 6; 0 Buena Vista 38; 0 Flint St. Michael's 27; 0 Jackson St. John's 53; 26 Flint St. Agnes 21; 26 Flint St. John Vianney 6; 7 Bay City St. James 7; 0 Flint Holy Redeemer 26; 0 Sag. SS. Peter & Paul's 25.

RETURNEES—Charles Premo, QB; Andy Polzin, E; Ken Call, HB; Fran Call, G; Tony Provenzano, HB; Jim Aspin, G.

BAY CITY ST. JAMES had a fine season last fall, posting a 7-2 mark and well could do at least the same in '68.

VALLEY COAST CONFERENCE

Holland may just have enough strength and stamina to overcome incumbent Grand Haven, but the race should go down to the wire.

Best Lineman: guard Bob Wallish, Grand Haven;

Best Back: quarterback Rommie Scott, Muskegon Heights.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Grand Haven	5	0	1	Muskegon Heights	2	4	0
Holland	5	1	0	Grandville	1	5	0
Mona Shores	4	2	0	Orchard View	0	6	0
East Grand Rapids	3	2	1				

GRAND HAVEN

The Buccaneers must find replacements for last fall's entire offensive backfield if they are to successfully defend their conference championship of the past two years. All-conference guard Bob Wallish (180), an excellent two-way performer, was in on 75 tackles last year. Coach Don Constant has 14 returning letterwinners, but no quarterback with game experience. Center Len Hatfield is the heaviest veteran, at 185.

GRAND HAVEN (6-1-2)—6 Muskegon Mona Shores 0; 7 Benton Harbor 12; 20 Grandville 19; 19 Holland 7; 27 Grand Rapids Creston 27; 27 Lansing Waverly 13; 17 Muskegon Heights 14; 0 East Grand Rapids 0; 40 Muskegon Orchard View 6.

RETURNEES—Steve VanStratt, HB; Rog Schroeder, HB; Wally Martyniek, FB; Jim Hecksel, LB; Len Hatfield, C; Bill VanWoerkom, G; Bill Mastenbrook, G; Bob Wallish, G; Al Hass T; Don Vrablic, T; John Olsen, T; Ben DeVito, E; Jim VanStedum, E; Rod Jonas, HB.

SCHEDULE—at Muskegon Mona Shores; Benton Harbor; at Grandville; at Holland; at Grand Rapids Creston; Muskegon Reeths-Puffer; at Muskegon Heights; East Grand Rapids; Muskegon Orchard View.

HOLLAND

The Dutch, under Dave Kempker's third year of coaching, battled their way to a 5-2-2 record in '67. With 18 lettermen returning, the '68 outlook is promising.

HOLLAND (5-2-2)—6 Muskegon Hts. 0; 0 Niles 7; 0 Benton Harbor 0; 7 Grand Haven 19; 12 Mona Shores 7; 32 Orchard View 0; 12 Grandville 0; 8 East Grand Rapids 6; 6 Grand Rapids Godwin 6.

RETURNEES—Scott Boss, G; Dave Deridder, G; Russ Fincher, LB; Mike Fraam, LB; Dave Gosselar, E; Bruce Hibma, T; Mike Julien, E; Steve Klingenberg, T; Larry Lewis, E; Gary Lound, HB; Scott Moeller, G; Tom Moes, FB; Rick Nykamp, G; Craig Piersma, FB; Tom Riemersma, HB; Bob VerHoef, T; Mike Wiersma, C; Rick Zweering, E.

SCHEDULE—Muskegon Hts.; Niles; Grand Haven; Mona Shores; Orchard View; East Grand Rapids; Grandville; Grand Rapids Godwin.

EAST GRAND RAPIDS

Veteran coach Carl Nestor has a lot of work ahead this fall if his Pioneers are to improve last lear's 4-3-1 mark and create many waves in the powerful conference this season. Nestor welcomes back 15 lettermen, but none has any really outstanding credentials. A fairly solid backfield is hampered by the lack of an experienced quarterback. There's only one experienced tackle in camp. Halfbacks Larry Olsen and Keary Sawyer look to be starters, but will receive competition from Chris Armstrong and Andy Welch, while Jon Kortz and Larry Sanborn battle for the opening fullback position. Ends Doug Thompson and John Johnston are set, but there's an open struggle among Mike Bogdanik, Bill Clawson, Dave Nicollette and Chuck Crain for a starting guard slot. The Pioneers simply don't have enough outstanding talent to be much of a title threat this fall.

EAST GRAND RAPIDS (4-3-1)—6 Ottawa Hills 31; 14 Muskegon Heights 6; 0 Mona Shores 6; 7 Rockford 0; 13 Orchard View 0; 13 Grandville 0; 6 Holland 8; 0 Grand Haven 0.

RETURNEES—Chris Armstrong, HB; Mike Bogdanik, G; Bill Clawson, G; Chuck Crain, G; John Johnston, E; Jon Kortz, FB; Rick McKay, C; Dave Nicollette, G; Larry Olsen, HB; Tom Peterson, T; Larry Sanborn, FB; Keary Sawyer, HB; Andy Welch, HB; John Yeakey, T.

MUSKEGON HEIGHTS

The heavy loss of graduating seniors will present a new look to the Tigers. Eight lettermen, headed by quarterback Rommie Scott and backs Glen Metcalf and Floyd Thompson behind the line, return. Up front, all-city end Carlton Vines and second team all-city end Bart Bartels, both at 185 pounds, offer bulk and pass-catching targets.

MUSKEGON HEIGHTS (2-7)—0 Holland 6; 6 E. Grand Rapids 14; 6 Lansing Eastern 26; 19 Orchard View 7; 6 Mona Shores 7; 14 Grand Haven 17; 6 Wyandotte 26; 26 Grandville 6; 0 Muskegon 7.

RETURNEES—Bart Bartels, E; Walter Butts, G; Glen Metcalf B; Rommie Scott, QB; Charles Smith, G; Perry Watson, C; Carlton Vines, E; Floyd Thompson, B.

GRANDVILLE

Coach Rex Roseman starts his 16th season, banking heavily on juniors, with but six returning lettermen. The defense is best stocked with veterans as linebackers Dan Timmer, John Way and Dan Konyndyke all return. Also back for the bulldogs are halfback Jon Hall, guard Phil Chamberlain and center Tim McGraw.

GRANDVILLE (2-6)—0 Grand Rapids West Catholic 42; 19 Grand Haven 20; 20 Reeths-Puffer 7; 6 Muskegon Heights 27; 0 East Grand Rapids 13; 20 Orchard View 0; 0 Holland 13; 6 Mona Shores 12.

RETURNEES—Dan Timmer, LB; John Way, LB; Jon Hall, HB; Dan Konyndyke, LB; Phil Chamberlain, G; Tim McGraw, C.

SCHEDULE—Grand Rapids West Catholic; at St. Joseph; Grand Haven; at Reeths-Puffer; Muskegon Heights; at East Grand Rapids; Orchard View; at Holland; at Mona Shores.

MUSKEGON ORCHARD VIEW

Looking for a .500 season after finishing with a dismal 1-8 record last season, the Cardinals have 11 returning lettermen. Coach Ron Gibbs however, is still forced to play with a good number of underclassmen in his second year as head mentor.

ORCHARD VIEW (1-8)—12 Muskegon Reeths-Puffer 13; 6 Muskegon Catholic 14; 28 Big Rapids 12; 6 Muskegon Heights 19; 0 East Grand Rapids 13; 0 Grandville 20; 0 Holland 32; 6 Muskegon Mona Shores 34; 6 Grand Haven 40.

RETURNEES—Jack Price, G; Bob Knoll, HB; Earl Jackson, HB; Bruce Anderegg, HB; Clyde Wilks, C; Al Sharnowski, G; Barry Kieft, T; Don Wright, T; Jerry Adams, G; Ed Malinowski, E; Mike Smith, C.

SCHEDULE—Reeths-Puffer; Muskegon Catholic; Big Rapids; Muskegon Heights; East Grand Rapids; Grandville; Holland; Muskegon Mona Shores; Grand Haven.

MUSKEGON MONA SHORES had a fine 4-2 conference record last fall and has high hopes for more of the same, though maybe just a bit better this fall.

VALLEY PAROCHIAL LEAGUE

St. Joseph is the best bet with St. Stephen's another solid possibility.

Best Lineman: guard Kevin Shea, St. Mary's;

Best Back: fullback Dan Malott, St. Stephen's.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Bay City St. Joseph	5	0	0	Bay City St. Stanislaus	1	3	1
Saginaw St. Stephen's	4	1	0	Saginaw Holy Rosary	0	5	0
Saginaw St. Mary	3	2	0				
Bay City West Catholic	1	3	1				

SAGINAW ST. STEPHEN'S

The Titans lost but one of seven games last season—to Class D state champion Bay City St. Joseph's—and this season coach Sam Franz' squad could go all the way. Sam's son David will direct the Titans' running attack, while halfbacks Jim Maine and Rick Lawler are both dangerous break-away threats. John Couture is back at end and fullback Dan Malott, perhaps the best runner in the league returns, so the Titans will be able to score against almost any opponent. If its defense can live up to pre-season expectations, St. Stephen's will be even better than last season.

ST. STEPHEN'S (6-1)—33 Maple Grove St. Michael's 0; 38 Sag. Holy Rosary 6; 40 BC West Catholic 13; 26 BC St. Stanislaus 0; 26 Sag. St. Mary's 14; 6 BC St. Joseph's 26; 53 Ashley 0.

RETURNEES—Dave Franz, QB; Jim Maine, HB; Rick Lawler, HB; Dan Malott, FB; John Couture, E; Pete Miller, E; Brock Howard, C.

SAGINAW ST. MARY'S

The Red Raiders enter the newly-formed league as the smallest of five schools, but coach Bill Agresta's squad will make its presence known this fall. All-conference performers

Kevin Shea and Ken Frost are back at guard and tackle respectively, while junior halfback Ray Wicks sparks what should be a solid running attack. End Mike Fournier is an excellent receiver while quarterback John Hansen could be the best passer in the league. The Raiders lack depth, but should be able to cause plenty of trouble this fall. St. Mary's, 3-4 on the season last time around, is a cinch to improve on that mark.

ST. MARY'S (3-4)—6 Sag. St. Andrew's 17; 13 Sag. SS. Peter and Paul's 26; 0 BC St. Joseph's 33; 34 Sag. Holy Rosary 0; 32 BC West Catholic 2; 14 Sag. St. Stephen's 26; 21 BC St. Stanislaus 12.

RETURNEES—Kevin Shea, G; Ken Frost, T; Ray Wicks, HB; Tom Pfander, HB; Mike Fournier, E; John Hansen, QB; Walt LaPeak, G; Barry Metivia, T; Pat Barnett, T; Joe Polzin, FB.

BAY CITY WEST CATHOLIC

Former Michigan State football star Carl Charon heads into his third season of handling West Catholic's gridiron fortunes and this fall could be his most unpleasant ever. The Trojans, who move into a reformed Valley Parochial League this year, have 14 lettermen back, but the new VPL appears to be too strong for the Trojans this time around. Best among the backfield returnees is the brother combination of Joe and John Volk. Joe will call signals while John will run from a fullback slot. Halfback Dave Revette is back, along with Tom LaLonde, to give Charon a respectable backfield. Ends Bill Wesolek and Bill Novak are solid pass receivers, and guards Daryl Young and Mark Richard will help. The Trojans will be stronger than last year's squad (1-3-1 in league play) but the new league is tougher too, and wins could be few and far between this fall.

WEST CATHOLIC (1-6-1)—7 Sebewaing 25; 0 Flint St. Matthew's 43; 13 Sag. St. Stephen's 40; 2 Sag. St. Mary's 32; 6 BC St. Joseph's 20; 21 Sag. Holy Rosary 7; 6 BC St. Stanislaus 6; 6 BC St. James 46.

RETURNEES—Joe Volk, QB; John Volk, FB; John Evans, T; Dave Revette, HB; Bill Wesolek, E; Bill Novak, E; Joe Kerbleski, T; Dan Miller, G; Daryl Young, G; Ed Pasant, G; Mark Richard, G; Tom LaLonde, HB; Leroy Campbell, T; Tim Matuszewski, T; Marty Doyle, HB.

BAY CITY ST. JOSEPH, undefeated in league play last fall, is another good bet to take all the marbles.

BAY CITY ST. STANISLAUS could win but one league game and looks for more improvement in '68.

WARREN CONFERENCE

Center Line appears to be far and away better than everyone else, but Mott cannot be taken lightly.

Best Lineman: end Nino Torres, Center Line;
Best Back: quarterback Ron Karlis, Center Line.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Center Line	4	0	1	Lincoln	2	3	0
Mott	4	1	0	Warren	1	4	0
Fitzgerald	3	1	1	Cousino	0	5	0

CENTER LINE

Coach Rudy Hill has seven offensive and seven defensive starters returning from last season's conference champions, which was their tenth title in 14 years. Quarterback Ron Karlis completed 44 of 75 passes for 612 yards and nine TD's. He also rushed for 211 yards. End Nino Torres caught 21 passes for 261 yards and five TD's. Dennis Cooper (220) holds down one tackle spot. The Panthers have a veteran at every position except fullback.

CENTER LINE (7-0-1)—20 Utica 7; 34 Stevenson 6; 13 Fitzgerald 13; 25 Mott 7; 59 Cousino 13; 26 Warren 6; 13 Lincoln 6; 7 L'Anse Creuse 0.

RETURNEES—Ron Karlis, QB-LB; Nino Torres, E; John Jakiemiec, E-LB; Tom Tepper, G-DE; Joe Cottone, C-DT; Rick Bastian, G-DE; Dennis Cooper, T-MG; Jim Taylor, HB; Gary Qualmann, HB; Mike Lonchar, E; Larry Parsons, T; Joe Weber, E-DT.

SCHEDULE— Utica; at Stevenson; Fitzgerald; at Cousino; at Mott; Warren; at Lincoln; St. Clair.

WARREN MOTT

Coach John Barnett may have the material in '68 to lift Warren Mott that half game it lacked for the title last season. Giant tackles Tom Poplawski (6-4, 226 pounds) and Mikki Hyba (6-4, 245) were the top tacklers and blockers on the Marauders a year ago, in a 7-1 campaign. Halfback Dennis Santo is one of the best high school receivers around, with 18 TD's to his credit.

WARREN MOTT (7-1)—20 Warren Woods 0; 26 L'Anse Creuse 0; 26 Warren 0; 26 Fitzgerald 12; 7 Center Line 25; 33 Lincoln 6; 21 Cousino 6; 13 Lake Shore 0.

RETURNEES—John Crowell, HB; Bob Hart, QB; Dennis Santo, HB; John Pratt, G; Gary Petroni, T; Tom Poplawski, T; Mikki Hyba, T; Bill Ralston, HB; Tom Livites, G; Don Oke, T; Al Pypkowski, HB; Jay Olind, QB-E; Al Larsen, G.

SCHEDULE—Warren Woods; Hamtramck; Warren; Fitzgerald; Center Line; Lincoln; Cousino; Mt. Clemens.

WARREN FITZGERALD

Always strong Warren Fitzgerald figures to be in the same old winning rut. Under coach Al Drath the Spartans have posted a 57-28-5 record in the past ten years and the successful mentor is optimistic about the team's chances in '68.

Drath's optimism is wrapped up in a veteran line and a young quarterback. Heading the line corps are senior end Paul Krause (6-4, 230), senior tackle Steve Moshluk (6-2, 230) and Chuck MacKenzie (6-2, 195). Handling the quarterbacking duties will be Doug MacKenzie, brother of Chuck, a 6-3, 185-pounder.

WARREN FITZGERALD (5-2-2)—7 Hazel Park 27; 26 Lakeview 6; 13 Center Line 13; 12 Warren Mott 26; 21 Warren Lincoln 14; 38 Warren Cousino 0; 27 Warren 0; 13 South Lake 7; 19 Madison 19.

SCHEDULE—at Hazel Park; Roseville; at Center Line; Warren Mott; Warren Lincoln; at Warren Cousino; at Warren; Port Huron Northern; Madison.

WARREN LINCOLN

A good nucleus of returning lettermen return, however the loss of four outstanding players from last fall's club will make the job tricky for Lincoln in '68. Fourteen letterwinners are back.

RETURNEES—Wayne Williams, HB; Steve Dodson, HB; Joe Bajer, HB; Ted Bates, FB; Larry Woldsiewicz, QB; Rod Bockmiller, C; Ken Spranger, G; Dave Kerszykowski, G; Chuck Jones, G; Mike Wisniewski, G; John Bagley, T; Ken King, T; Tim Zollner, T; Mike Jerry, E.

SCHEDULE—at L'Anse Creuse; Warren Woods; at Cousino; Warren; at Fitzgerald; Mott; Center Line; at Lutheran East.

WARREN COUSINO

Nineteen returning lettermen and a fine incoming sophomore class could mean an improved record this season. Coach George Olman's Patriots were 0-8 last year and last in the conference. Dan Harmes and Pat Dawson, returning at the halfback spots, are the keys to the running attack. Harms averaged 5.7 yards per carry in gaining 638 yards last season, and scored four touchdowns.

WARREN COUSINO (0-8)—7 Fraser 14; 0 South Lake 33; 0 Lincoln 33; 13 Center Line 59; 0 Warren 20; 0 Fitzgerald 38; 6 Mott 21; 0 Hamtramck 8.

RETURNEES—Don Childress, T; Gary Cliff, HB; Mark Dalton, G; Pat Dawson, B; Richard Eathorne, LB; Dan Harms, HB; Larry Kuffa, T; Phil Lacoursierre, QB; Bill Malson, G; Richard Massarone, T; Phil Moss, HB; Wolfe Nueske, T; Art Saltmarsh, B; Richard Saunders, G; Norm Teisen, FL; Bob Wagenman, C; Dave Nelson, LB; Bill Grombala, QB; Dennis Lata, LB.

SCHEDULE—at Fraser; at St. Clair; Lincoln; Center Line; at Warren; Fitzgerald; at Mott; Hamtramck.

WARREN must be careful or face the possibility of falling into the cellar after last fall's 1-4 effort, good for fifth place.

WAYNE-OAKLAND COUNTY LEAGUE

Milford again should be the class of the league, but West Bloomfield has its own championship ideas and Clarkston isn't one to be taken lightly.

Best Lineman: end Mark Giegler, Milford;
Best Back: quarterback Bob Clinard, Milford.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Milford	6	1	0	Northville	4	3	0
West Bloomfield	5	1	1	Holly	3	4	0
Clarkston	4	2	1	Brighton	1	6	0
Bloomfield Hills	4	3	0	Clarenceville	0	7	0

MILFORD

The defending conference champions have 18 letterwinners back in 1968. Coach Jerry Ganzel's biggest job is replacing three running backs, two guards, and a center. Quarterback Bob Clinard completed 55 of 102 passes for 425 yards last fall. Both his primary receivers, Mark Giegler (6-1) and Doug Powers (6-0), return. Matt Partridge (5-11, 180) is back to handle the punting, where he averaged 34.6 yards per kick. He is a halfback. Tackles John Zahari (6-4, 210) and Rick Sharpe (6-2, 235) are the biggest linemen. The Redskins have only Mark Crabb (200) back at center.

MILFORD (8-1)—31 Avondale 21; 26 Clarenceville 6; 19 West Bloomfield 20; 33 Bloomfield Hills Andover 21; 25 Brighton 7; 34 Holly 14; 19 Northville 0; 27 Clarkston 7; 34 Swartz Creek 12.

RETURNEES—Bob Clinard, QB; Matt Partridge, HB; Tom Newcomb, HB; Bruce Dennis, QB-HB; Mark O'Leary, DHB; Larry Vick, FB; Rod Mayer, HB; Mark Crabb, C; Larry Krause, T; Ralph Ives, G; Tom Hamill, G; Kerry Devine, G-LB; Art Hill, T; John Zahari, T; Rick Sharpe, T; Mark Giegler, E; Doug Powers, E; Larry Cece, E.

SCHEDULE—at Avondale; Clarenceville; at West Bloomfield; Bloomfield Hills; Brighton; at Waterford Kettering; at Northville; Clarkston; Holly.

WEST BLOOMFIELD

The Lakers must fill four line and three back positions from 13 lettermen, if they are to remain in second place in

the conference. Coach Art Paddy welcomes back two all-conference choices in quarterback Robin Brennan and guard Kevin Gawronski. Terry Urquhart (240) returns at tackle.
WEST BLOOMFIELD (5-2-1)—20 Waterford Township 40; 38 Brighton 19; 20 Milford 19; 34 Northville 26; 28 Holly 20; 33 Clarenceville 26; 0 Clarkston 0; 6 Bloomfield Hills Andover 32.
RETURNEES—Robin Brennan, QB; Terry Conley, HB; Kevin Gawronski, G; Mike Hubbard, DE; Dave Karlson, DB; Todd Lilie, LB; Mark Nusslock, T; Terry Urquhart, DT; Ron Gorder, G; Mike Walosin, C; Steve Westjohn, E; Keith Woodroof, B; Mike Zerull, T.
SCHEDULE—Waterford Township; at Brighton; Milford; at Northville; Waterford Kettering; at Clarenceville; at Clarkston; Bloomfield Hills Andover.

CLARKSTON

A veteran back and a pair of mobile linemen bolster Clarkston's hopes for a better showing than their third-place finish last season. Senior halfback Jeff Keyser, a 5-9, 155-pound speedster, gives the Wolves the running threat they need, while coach Ralph Kenyon, starting his sixth year at the helm, relies on guards Bill Anderson (6-0, 165) and Bill Wortman (6-2, 180) to steady the line play. If holes on the defensive line are plugged, the Wolves figure to be among the best in the league.
CLARKSTON (5-3-1)—19 Oxford 0; 13 Bloomfield Hills Andover 7; 21 Livonia Clarenceville 7; 13 Holly 7; 0 Northville 7; 33 Brighton 7; 0 West Bloomfield 0; 7 Milford 27; 15 Rochester 20.
SCHEDULE—Oxford; at Bloomfield Hills Andover; Livonia Clarenceville; at Waterford Kettering; Northville; at Brighton; West Bloomfield; at Milford; Rochester.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS ANDOVER

Coach Bob Kefgen had only one returning starter when he took over the head position at Andover, and though things are only slightly improved in the returning starters category (he has five back this season), he expects an improvement on the Barons' 4-4 record last season. Heading the returnees are ends Rick Stahr and Larry Appleby, who start their third year as regulars, tackle Dick Souther and quarterback Scott Roley, both starters last year as sophomores.
ANDOVER (4-4)—20 Oak Park 26; 7 Clarkston 13; 20 Holly 0; 20 Milford 32; 13 Clarenceville 12; 0 Northville 12; 26 Brighton 6; 32 West Bloomfield 6.
RETURNEES—Rick Stahr, E; Larry Appleby, E; Dick Souther, T; Greg Elliott, T; Steve Vanker, G; Ken Grubbs, G; Scott Roley, QB; Jeff Roley, HB; Craig Richards, C; Gordon Cherup, FB-G.
SCHEDULE—Oak Park; Waterford-Kettering; Milford; Clarenceville; Northville; Brighton; West Bloomfield; Bloomfield Hills Lahser.

NORTHVILLE

Coach Alex Klukach has ten returning lettermen, with only four linemen among them. The Mustangs finished third in the conference last fall. Leading the line on offense is tackle Fred Hicks (210). Replacements must be found at both ends, center, and one tackle. Barry Deal and Terry Mills return at halfbacks. Deal was the leading rusher, while Mills was an outstanding receiver. Stan Nirider is an excellent running quarterback.
NORTHVILLE (4-4)—14 Plymouth 20; 6 Holly 7; 19 Brighton 13; 26 West Bloomfield 34; 7 Clarkston 0; 12 Bloomfield Hills 0; 0 Milford 18; 32 Clarenceville 0.
RETURNEES—Scott Butler, G; Pat Cayley, FB; Barry Deal, HB; Fred Hicks T; Glenn Heffner, G-LB; Chris Kline, HB; Craig MacDermaid, HB; Kim Marburger, G; Terry Mills, HB; Stan Nirider, QB.
SCHEDULE—at Plymouth; Warren Mott; at Brighton; West Bloomfield; at Clarkston; Bloomfield Hills; Milford; at Clarenceville.

BRIGHTON

Only six letterwinners return for the Bulldogs, under coach Ken Kaestner. They lack experience at quarterback, one halfback, one guard, and both ends. Dan Carney and Marty Keckonen are a pair of tackles who each weigh 230. They finished seventh in the league last fall.
BRIGHTON (3-6)—19 South Lyon 13; 13 West Bloomfield 38; 13 Northville 19; 14 Clarenceville 13; 7 Milford 25; 7 Clarkston 33; 7 Bloomfield Hills 26; 7 Holly 38; 7 Milan 6.
RETURNEES—Dale Fisher, C; Dan Carney, T; Fred Gillespie, FB; Marty Keckonen, T; Dave Orndorff, HB; Bill Johnson, G.
SCHEDULE—at South Lyon; West Bloomfield; Northville; at Clarenceville; at Milford; Clarkston; Waterford Kettering; at Bloomfield Hills; at Milan.

WATERFORD KETTERING

Kettering moves into the Wayne-Oakland League for '68. Coach Jim Larkin is looking to tackle Anguw Miller, guard Ron Waldrup and center Mike Howieson for leadership. Other returnees are Bob Earls, Dennis Wooster, Mike Copeman, Ed Ervin, Larry Burns, Larry Thompson, Dale Treadway, Rich Schwach, Gary McPherson, Dennis Wilson, Glenn Weber, Steve Sovie, Phil Hooker, Jerry Velzy and Boyd Dillon.

OAKLAND is the newest member of the league and will be among rough competition.

CLARENCEVILLE would be content to get into the win column and with any amout of improvement, should do it.

WEST CENTRAL CONFERENCE

Ionia is the top prospect, Grand Ledge the next bet again in 1968.
Best Lineman: end Paul Emick, Grand Ledge;
Best Back: halfback Greg Wilson, Ionia.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Ionia	6	1	0	Greenville	4	3	0
Grand Ledge	4	2	1	Hastings	3	3	1
St. Johns	4	3	0	Alma	2	5	0
Charlotte	4	3	0	Lakewood	0	7	0

IONIA

Ionia coach Charles Kohloff feels his defending champions can field a representative team if they can successfully convert returning letterwinners from the defensive team to fill the gaps left on offense. Chief returnees are Greg Wilson, a 175-pound halfback who picked up 825 yards a year ago and added six TD's. Steve Lesky, a quick, agile 185-pound tackle, anchors the line.
IONIA (7-1)—14 Lowell 6; 22 Lakewood 6; 0 Charlotte 13; 27 Greenville 0; 14 Hastings 7; 26 Grand Ledge 18; 20 Alma 0; 28 St. John's 14.
RETURNEES—Bill Abbey, G; David Allen, E; Doug Ayers, E; Doug Brown, QB; Russ Clark, E; Jim Helmer, G; John LeFleur, T; Scott Christensen, T; John Robinson, T; Rich Schanski, HB; Randy Seabrook, G; Roy Staudenmeyer, HB; Mark Tuller, HB; Greg Wilson, HB; Bob Baker, FB; Bill Bartlett, T; Bob Bentz, LB; Fred Charles, HB; Joe Harp, G; Steve Horn, HB; Steve Lesky, T.
SCHEDULE—Lowell; at St. John's; Lakewood; at Charlotte; at Waverly; Hastings; at Grand Ledge; Alma.

GRAND LEDGE

End Paul Emick leads a list of 16 returning lettermen for the Comets, but coach John Krupa (in his second year as head coach) still figures the 1968 season will be a rebuilding one. Emick, a 180-pounder, set a school record last season grabbing five touchdown passes in aiding the Comets to a 4-3-1 record.
GRAND LEDGE (4-3-1)—0 Gabriels 14; 19 Charlotte 0; 38 Alma 0; 14 St. Johns 25; 19 Lakewood 6; 18 Ionia 25; 42 Greenville 0; 0 Hastings 0.
RETURNEES—Craig Sherman, QB; Tom Sharp, QB; Tony Osborn, B; Dick Shaw, B; Mike Bashore, B; Paul Emick, E; Ed Dixon, G; Tom Traschel, T; Jim Holland, G; Dennis Beckwith, T; Mike Roth, G; Scott Palmer, G; Bill Winstanley, C; Mike Weir, E; Tom Dible, B; Skip Tompkins, E.
SCHEDULE—Gabriels; Charlotte; Alma; St. Johns; Lakewood; Ionia; Greenville; Hastings.

ST. JOHNS

With only ten returning lettermen and a new head coach, the Red Wings' 1968 season is anything but settled. Replacing six-year veteran coach Bill Smiley (who took the head coaching post at Bay City Handy) will be difficult enough for St. Johns, and the loss of key gridders from 1967's 6-3 squad will make the upcoming campaign an interesting one.
ST. JOHNS (6-3)—37 Mason 13; 38 Greenville 12; 7 Hastings 14; 34 Grand Ledge 7; 2 Alma 6; 42 Charlotte 19; 41 Lakewood 7; 14 Ionia 28; 14 Ovid-Elsie 6.
RETURNEES—Tim Durner, QB; Jon Berkhousen, E; Chuck Romey, FB; Craig Bartholomew, C; Mike Rasdale, G; Mike Green, FB; Norm Moinet, T; Terry Maier, HB; Mike Kielen, G; Fred Moore, T.
SCHEDULE—Mason; Ionia; at Greenville; Hastings; at Grand Ledge; Alma; Charlotte; at Lakewood; at Ovid-Elsie.

CHARLOTTE

Looking for help from his JV and freshmen squads is Oriole coach Bob Moore. With only six gridders returning from last year's 4-3-1 squad, the Charlotte outlook isn't too bright. Rod Fuller, a 5-8, 170-pound guard, is the only starter of the six, making the Orioles an extremely inexperienced team.
CHARLOTTE (4-3-1)—6 Eaton Rapids 6; 0 Grand Ledge 20; 14 Ionia 0; 14 Alma 0; 6 Greenville 9; 31 St. Johns 41; 14 Hastings 0; 20 Lakewood 6.
RETURNEES—Jeff Martin, QB; Rod Fuller, G; Russ Shelton, G; Joe Whitaker, HB; John Mahn, HB; Jeff Wildern, FB.
SCHEDULE—Eaton Rapids; Lakewood; at Grand Ledge; Ionia; at Alma; Waverly; at St. Johns; at Hastings.

ALMA

Gene Gilbert, after posting a 2-6 record in his first campaign as Panther coach, indicates that his charges will be improved in all phases this year. Randy Muhn (155 pounds) and Dana Schnepp (180) provide the Panthers with experience on defense, while third-year man Herb Larson, 170-pound halfback, halfback Tom Plaxton (185) and tackle Nate Britting (200) are strong on offense.

ALMA (2-6)—0 Mt. Pleasant 32; 0 Hastings 37; 0 Charlotte 13; 6 St. Johns 2; 19 Lakewood 7; 0 Ionia 20; 0 Greenville 26.
RETURNEES—Paul Pinter, E; Jerry Painter, E; Steve Richards, T; Nate Britting, T; Phil Huffine, G; Bill Ayling, C; Louie Muhn, G; Dana Schnepp, G; Al Studer, FB; Herb Larson, HB; Tom Plaxton, HB; Harry Ward, QB; Roy Hernandez, HB; Rick Stauffer, LB.
SCHEDULE—at Mt. Pleasant; Waverly; at Hastings; Grand Ledge; Charlotte; at St. Johns; Lakewood; at Ionia.

LAKEWOOD

Nineteen returning monogram winners are back for coach Jerry Eckman's Vikings, and there is only one way to go—up. After falling to eight straight defeats last year, Eckman is counting on versatile junior Mark Lake to provide a big boost for this year's crew. Lake was Lakewood's top gridder in 1967, leading the team in tackles with 83. He will go both ways this season.
LAKEWOOD (0-8)—0 Maple Valley 6; 6 Ionia 22; 7 Greenville 13; 6 Hastings 26; 6 Grand Ledge 19; 7 Alma 20; 7 St. Johns 34; 6 Charlotte 27.
RETURNEES—Mark Lake, HB-LB; Tom Morrison, FB; Gordon Henny, FB; Mike Altoft, QB; Jerry Hamp, QB; Brian Pinkston, HB; Jerry Curtis, HB; Ron Coppess, E; Richard Thorpe, E; Duane Carr, T; Gary Krebs, T; Max McLeod, E; Herb Rush, G; Paul Reed, G; Steve Buche, G; Dave Meyers, G; Allan Bursley, E; Mike Baitinger, LB; Fred Raffler, C.
SCHEDULE—Maple Valley; at Charlotte; at Ionia; Waverly; at Hastings; Grand Ledge; at Alma; St. Johns.

WAVERLY

Entering a conference for the first time in the school's four-year existence, coach Bill Tafts has 12 returning lettermen, plus a couple of fine JV's on the varsity, in an attempt to make this year's effort a success. The Warriors are led by 190-pound tackle Jim Culver, halfback Ron LaForge (160 pounds), end Joe Phillips (185) and tackles Dave and Doug Starkweather, both 180 pounds.
WAVERLY (5-4)—9 O'Rafferty 6; 6 Eastern 20; 33 A. A. Huron 6; 26 Kalamazoo Hackett 0; 26 Michigan Center 13; 13 Grand Haven 27; 13 Muskegon Central 40; 26 Bridgeport 0; 6 Albion 20.
RETURNEES—Joe Phillips, DE; Jim Culver, T; Roger Fowler, C; Ron LaForge, HB; Dennis Maples, QB; Dick Azelton, HB; Tom Norman, T; Don Parsons, T; Deuaine Bunker, G; Dave Starkweather, T; Doug Starkweather, T; John Taylor, HB.
SCHEDULE—O'Rafferty; Alma; St. Johns; Lakewood; Ionia; Charlotte; Hastings; Grand Ledge.

WEST MICHIGAN CONFERENCE

A wide open race is in prospect, but Manistee is the best bet, with North Muskegon and Shelby ready to take over any time.

Best Lineman: tackle Dan Hobart, Manistee;
Best Back: halfback Kurt Boyd, North Muskegon.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Manistee	5	1	0	Hart	2	4	0
North Muskegon	5	1	0	Montague	1	5	0
Shelby	4	2	0	Oak Ridge	0	6	0
Mason Co. Central	4	2	0				

MANISTEE

The Chippewas, 1967 conference champions, will be looking as strong as ever in '68. Twenty-one returning lettermen, with experience in both the backfield and the line, should give coach Duane Wagberg's squad a big edge. Helping the Chippewas' to a 6-3 record was all-conference tackle Dan Hobart, along with four honorable mention teammates, all of whom will be returning next year. Material from their strong and fast J.V. team will also be a factor next year.
MANISTEE (6-3)—19 Cadillac 13; 20 Mason County Central 19; 0 Ludington 19; 22 Montague 6; 6 N. Muskegon 27; 28 Hart 18; 7 Traverse City 32; 19 Shelby 18; 15 Oak Ridge 7.
RETURNEES—Keith Roach, HB; Dennis Daike, FB; Tim Thomas, HB; Mark Christopher, HB; Dan Bedingham, HB; Chuck Walukonis, FB; Glenn Highfill, HB; Tom Welsh, QB; Steve Sandstedt, QB; Hal Schimpke, E; Phil Kruzske, E; Bill Field, E; Craig Hansen, E; Vern Robinson, E; Ed Dulinski, T; Dan Hobart, T; Gene Thomas, T; Dave Gonzales, T; Ken Engstrom, G; Dave Mucha, C.
SCHEDULE—Cadillac; Mason County Central; Ludington; Montague; North Muskegon; Hart; Fremont; Shelby; Oak Ridge.

NORTH MUSKEGON

With ten lettermen and six starters returning, North Muskegon's chances of duplicating last season's 8-1 record are sound, but coach Tom Serocynski has his work cut out. Replacing all-state quarterback Pete Speier looks to be the biggest problem, although finding another player like all-county end Rick Homan won't be easy either. The Norsemen's running attack should be just as strong, however, with 155-pound Kurt Boyd, who averaged 5.9 yards a carry last year, and speedster Mark Johnson (175) heading a list of backfield returnees. Johnson gained 5.1 yards a carry last year and runs 100 yards in 10.3 seconds while sophomore Tim Johnson is only a tenth of a second slower.
NORTH MUSKEGON (8-1)—42 Kent City 13; 6 Shelby 13; 13 Hart 2; 26 Hamilton 6; 27 Montague 6; 27 Manistee 6; 7 Mason County 2; 2 Oakridge 0; 19 White Cloud 0.
RETURNEES—Larry Young, G; Bill Marchido, T; Doug MacDonald, T; Kevin McCroskey, G; Jon Proctor, G; Kurt Boyd, HB; Mark Johnson, HB; Jamie Woodruff, QB; Chuck Woodruff, E; Chuck Cousineau, E.

SHELBY

If good depth can make up for the lack of individual outstanding players, the Tigers could be a conference threat this year. Coach Gerald Omness is looking for juniors to fill in the gaps caused by graduation. John Wyns and Jim TenBrink, both ends, are two players returning from last year's 5-3 squad.
SHELBY (5-3)—20 Hesperia 7; 14 Hart 13; 13 N. Muskegon 7; 39 Oakridge 18; 0 Mason County Central 20; 18 Montague 6; 20 Manistee Catholic 53; 18 Manistee 19.
RETURNEES—Chuck Andrews, HB; Mike Brown, G; Grand Carnes, HB; Tom Fox, T; Tom Gossolin, HB; Ed Hayes, HB; Steve Jeffries, G; Brian McLouth, E; Les Osborn, G; Alan Payne, T; Greg Schihl, FB; Denny Smith, C; Jim TenBrink, T; John Wyns, E.
SCHEDULE—Hesperia; at North Muskegon; Mason County; at Manistee Catholic; Hart; Oakridge; at Montague; at Manistee.

MASON COUNTY CENTRAL

Only seven lettermen return for the Spartans who were second in the loop last season. Coach Barry Aspenleiter welcomes Jim Schulte (200) back at center. Dave Hackert and Ed LeLugas are returning backs.
SCOTTVILLE (4-4)—0 Ludington 7; 19 Manistee 20; 39 Montague 0; 20 Shelby 0; 27 Muskegon Oakridge 6; 0 Manistee Catholic 7; 2 North Muskegon 7; 18 Hart 0.
RETURNEES—Jim Schulte, C; Dave Gimbutis, E; Dave Hackert, FB; Neil Miller, E; Mike Buck, G; Roger Lehrbass, G; Ed LeLugas, HB.
SCHEDULE—Ludington; Manistee; Muskegon Oakridge; Shelby; Montague; Manistee Catholic; North Muskegon; Hart.

HART

An excellent crop of 15 returning lettermen, including three with two years of experience, should push the Pirates into title contention after dropping to fourth place last fall. Coach Dave Matheson is looking for Cliff Reed and Randy White to start at halfbacks along with quarterback Lynn Schiller (5-11, 170), who is a triple threat. Linebacker Gary Dean, Reed, and center Dan Greiner were all-conference last fall. Three big tackles return in Zane Highland (210), Dave Eckholm (230), and Don Koch (250).
HART (5-4)—25 Benzie Central 14; 19 Montague 6; 3 North Muskegon 12; 25 Lowell 6; 13 Shelby 14; 1 Manistee 0 (forfeit); 0 Scottville 19; 13 Whitehall 31; 26 Muskegon Oakridge 6.
RETURNEES—Gary Dean, G-LB; Brent Clark, G; Dan Greiner, C; Cliff Reed, HB; Randy White, HB; Randy Olmstead, FB; Nick Walker, E-K; Tom Keck, QB; Zane Highland, T; Don Koch, T; Mark Trommater, G; Dave Tate, E; Tom Carlson, E; Gary Strait, G; Dave Eckholm, T.
SCHEDULE—at Benzie Central; Montague; North Muskegon; at Wayland; Muskegon Oakridge; at Scottville; Manistee; at Shelby; at Whitehall.

MONTAGUE

Coach Jack Bendelow sees his Montague Wildcats as having a good season in 1968, with a line averaging nearly 220 pounds. The Wildcats have eight letterwinners returning and one of those Bendelow is counting on is 210-pound fullback Greg Mund. One of the probable halfbacks is Steve Russell and manning the line will be center T. P. Johnson and tackles Roger Schmidt and Brad Jager. The Wildcats won only one game in eight last season.
MONTAGUE (1-7)—19 Whitehall 20; 6 Hart 19; 12 Oak Ridge 6; 6 Scottville 18; 6 Manistee 22; 6 North Muskegon 27; 13 Shelby 20; 0 Ludington 20.
RETURNEES—T. P. Johnson, C; Roger Schmidt, T; Dwig Weidewin, G; Brad Jager, T; Phil Kenriksen, G; Greg Mund, FB; Larry Peterson, E; Steve Russell, HB.
SCHEDULE—Whitehall; Hart; Oak Ridge; Scottville; Manistee; North Muskegon; Shelby; Ludington.

MUSKEGON OAKRIDGE

Experience comes to Muskegon Oakridge and coach Howes Smith hopes that can get the Eagles through some of the close games on the winning side this season. Oakridge goes into the campaign with 14 lettermen, headed by ends Gerald and Jerome Dibble, linebacker Ron Ruel, fulback Dan Postema and tackles Otis Warmuskerken and Ivan Kelsch, both 200-pounders.

OAKRIDGE (2-6)—25 Holton 0; 7 Montague 12; 25 Scottville 7; 0 Ravenna 6; 18 Shelby 34; 7 Hart 25; 0 North Muskegon 20; 7 Manistee 15.
RETURNEES—Gerald Dibble, E; Jerome Dibble, E; Rocky Korstange, E; Ed VanEtten, G; Ron Ruel, G; Gary Fewlass, G; Carl Schutter, C; Tom O'Donnell, HB; Otis Warmuskerken, T; Dave Zeedyk, QB; Tom Scrauer, QB; Dave Miller, FB; Dan Postema, FB; Ivan Kelsch, T.
SCHEDULE—Holton; Jenison; Montague; Scottville; Ravenna; Shelby; Hart; North Muskegon; Manistee.

WESTERN THUMB ASSOCIATION

Sebewaing may be a tremendous team, if it can get the right breaks and shake off injuries. Of course Ubly must be knocked off yet and Unionville and Akron-Fairgrove have plans of their own.

Best Lineman: end Ron Baranski, Reese;
Best Back: quarterback Jim Dunchel, Sebewaing.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Ubly	6	0	1	Mayville	2	5	0
Unionville	6	1	0	Kingston	2	5	0
Akron-Fairgrove	5	2	0	Reese	2	5	0
Sebewaing	4	2	1	Owengage	0	7	0

UBLY

Many holes must be filled if the Bearcats are to successfully defend their conference championship after losing only one game in three years. Coach Gerald Herp has only ten lettermen returning, including only one end and no quarterback with adequate game experience. Center Jack Osentoski (185) is the biggest veteran.
UBLY (6-1-2)—13 Yale 13; 13 Reese 6; 12 Sebewaing 12; 44 Owengage 0; 7 Kingston 0; 13 Unionville 7; 21 Akron-Fairgrove 0; 33 Mayville 0; 6 Bay City St. Joseph 34.
RETURNEES—Ron Rook, HB; Lynn Sweeney, HB; Bill Bailey, DHB; Paul Engel, E; Dave Grifka, T; Fred Ruthko, T; Jack Osentoski, C; Dan Abraham, G; Gary Maikrzek, G; Dale Allen, FB.
SCHEDULE—at Yale; Reese; at Sebewaing; Owengage; at Kingston; at Unionville; Akron-Fairgrove; at Mayville; Harbor Beach.

UNIONVILLE

Last year's 7-1 mark will be pretty hard for veteran coach Mike McCormick to duplicate, but Unionville won't be pushed around in this fall's title chase. Too many standouts graduated from last season's fine squad for the Eagles to make that kind of run again, but Unionville, a traditional power, will win more than its share of games. Replacing graduated Terry and Jerome Houthoofd, an excellent backfield brother act, will be McCormick's number one task this fall. An experienced line will make things easier, but lack of depth and backfield talent limits Unionville this time around.
UNIONVILLE (7-1)—38 Caseville 0; 13 Sebewaing 0; 35 Owengage 0; 6 Kingston 0; 26 Akron-Fairgrove 0; 7 Ubly 13; 40 Mayville 6; 26 Reese 0.

SEBEWAING

The Indians lack ends and fullbacks with experience. Eleven lettermen are back, including four guards and three tackles. Jim Dunchel, quarterback-halfback, totaled 963 yards on offense last fall and scored ten touchdowns. Coach Ed Brklacich has tackle Bill Lutz back on defense, who averaged eight tackles per game. Center Bruce Eremia (220) and guard Roy Krauss (210) anchor the offensive line.
SEBEWAING (5-2-1)—25 Bay City West Catholic 6; 0 Unionville 13; 12 Ubly 12; 41 Mayville 0; 19 Reese 0; 6 Akron-Fairgrove 20; 31 Owengage 6; 26 Kingston 7.
RETURNEES—Jim Dunchel, QB-HB; Bob Bach, HB; Scott Millerwise, HB; Roy Krauss, G; Jim Rasmussen, T; Scott Wiltse, G; Bill Lutz, T; Bruce Eremia, C; Dan Walz, T; John Armbruster, G; Morley McHalpine, G.
SCHEDULE—at Bay City West Catholic; Unionville; at Ubly; Mayville; Reese; at Akron-Fairgrove; Owengage; at Kingston.

MAYVILLE

Coach Bob MacGregor went through what could kindly be called a rebuilding year last fall and if his Wildcats learned anything in a 2-6 season, they could be ready to challenge. Hopes for a title are remote, but a solid core of returning lettermen promises a much better record this fall.
MAYVILLE (2-6)—7 Dryden 31; 0 Akron-Fairgrove 12; 2 Reese 13; 0 Sebewaing 41; 6 Owengage 13; 12 Kingston 6; 6 Unionville 40; 0 Ubly 32.

KINGSTON

The Cardinals experience a rebuilding year in 1968. Coach Jim Van Paris has only three seniors on his team. Only quarterback Dale Allen returns in the backfield. Allen can look forward to having an experienced big line in front of him, but it is very slow. If the Cardinals are to challenge for the Association crown, Van Paris must come up with a replacement for graduated all-leaguer Paul Miller, who starred at tailback.
KINGSTON (3-5)—7 Carsonville 0; 12 Owengage 0; 6 Akron-Fairgrove 12; 0 Unionville 6; 0 Ubly 7; 7 Mayville 12; 12 Reese 6; 7 Sebewaing 27.
RETURNEES—Dan Lafond, E; Ed Bilicki, E; Don Trzemzalski, E; Grant Gettel, T; Bob Diegel, G; Bob Miller, C; Dan Packey, T; Dale Allen, QB; Dave Lalko, TB; Fred Peter, G.
SCHEDULE—at Carsonville; at Owengage; Akron-Fairgrove; at Unionville; Ubly; Mayville; Reese; at Sebewaing.

REESE

A largely underclassman team, small in size and numbers, represents Reese this season. Coach William Chinery has only six seniors on this year's 30-man Rocket squad. Ten returning lettermen form the nucleus of the club. End Rod Baranski and fullback Pat Osantowski were two-way players last year and scored two touchdowns each.
REESE (3-5)—13 Holy Rosary 12; 6 Ubly 13; 13 Mayville 2; 0 Akron-Fairgrove 19; 0 Sebewaing 19; 26 Owengage 0; 0 Kingston 12; 0 Unionville 26.
RETURNEES—Rod Baranski, E; Pat Osantowski, FB; Dick Vargo, T; Dave Hart, G; John Schluckbier, QB; Bob Kabat, T; Joe Durussel, G; John Hill, T; Glen Gilmore, FB; Gordon Markhart, T.
SCHEDULE—Holy Rosary; at Ubly; Mayville; at Akron-Fairgrove; Sebewaing; at Owengage; at Kingston; Unionville.

AKRON-FAIRGROVE could be a tough club this fall, if it gets the breaks and stays free from the injuries. But it'll have rough competition.

OWENGAGE had a hapless '67 season, going winless, but looks to at least a modest amount of improvement in '68.

WHITE PINE CONFERENCE

On past performance alone, Buena Vista is the favorite. But Mt. Pleasant and MacArthur are both tough clubs who could win just as easily, given the right breaks.

Best Lineman: end Graham Tillotson, Mt. Pleasant;
Best Back: halfback Vic Chaney, Buena Vista.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Saginaw Bay City							
Buena Vista	5	0	0	John Glenn	2	3	0
Mt. Pleasant	4	1	0	Saginaw Bridgeport	1	4	0
Saginaw Douglas MacArthur	3	2	0	Cadillac	0	5	0

BUENA VISTA

Buena Vista, which has been the state Class B football champion the past two years, begins the 1968 season minus 22 graduated performers and without coach Al Quick, who guided the Knights for seven years, compiling a 44-13-3 record. Buena Vista is on a 20-game winning streak, but chances are strong that that mark will fall this season. The conference champions won't be dominating the league as in the past.
BUENA VISTA (8-0)—39 Lakeville 0; 38 Sag. St. Andrew's 0; 13 Mount Pleasant 7; 54 Bridgeport 12; 6 Bay City John Glenn 0; 38 Cadillac 0; 24 Sag. MacArthur 0; 22 Flint Carman 7.
RETURNEES—Mark Kowalski, T; Don McClure, G; Van Brown, T; Vic Chaney, HB; Neil Katzenberger, E; Del Zimmerman, T; Jim Rance, HB; Bill Ribble, G; Bill Prince, T; Darrell Howell, FB.
SCHEDULE—at Lakeville; Flint Beecher; Mt. Pleasant; Bridgeport; BC John Glenn; MacArthur; Corunna; Flint Carman.

MT. PLEASANT

Coach Hilt Foster figures his team should go places this year, with returning lettermen at every position. The only place for the Oilers to go in the league is the top, after a second place finish in '67. End Graham Tillotson gained all-conference honors and returns, along with quarterback Jerry Tuma, halfbacks Bob Pickens and Bob Von Reichbauer, fullback Roger Pitts and 200-pound linemen Kim Foster, Dick Grene and John Wilson.
MT. PLEASANT (5-4)—32 Alma 0; 19 Ferndale 26; 7 Buena Vista 13; 33 Cadillac 6; 14 Glenn 13; 33 MacArthur 21; 32 Bridgeport 20; 0 Alpena 9; 6 G.R. Central 39.
RETURNEES—Bob Pickens, HB; Bob Von Reichbauer, HB; Jerry Tuma, QB; Kim Foster, C; Dick Grene, T; John Wilson, T; Bob Keller, E; Graham Tillotson, E; Jack Neal, G; Rocky Marshall, G; Roger Pitts, FB.
SCHEDULE—Alma; Grand Blanc; at Buena Vista; Cranbrook; Bridgeport; MacArthur; at John Glenn; at Alpena; at Cadillac.

DOUGLAS MACARTHUR

General coach Mel Skillman eyes the 1968 campaign with no small amount of justified optimism. MacArthur, 5-4 last season, has a solid crop of lettermen who earned their football spurs then, and they should be ready to blossom. Dick Bobboske and Rick Pohlman fight for the starting quarterback spot, while Dan Hampton and Greg Bereznoff, both solid runners, vie for the opening fullback position. An experienced line, headed by center Glen Ihrke (245) and Mike Lafferty, 155-pound guard, returns.

MACARTHUR (5-4)—44 Bridgeport 0; 58 Flint Carman 12; 0 Saginaw High 34; 12 Arthur Hill 29; 27 Cadillac 0; 21 Mt. Pleasant 33; 0 Buena Vista 24; 20 BC John Glenn 7; 33 Lapeer 14.
RETURNEES—Rick Pohlman, QB; Bob Johnson, E; Dan Hampton, FB; Dave Feldman, G; Jim Fons, G; Glenn Ihrke, C; Dick Bobboske, QB; Dan Kennelly, FB; Rick Hildinger, E; Dave Brickel, QB; Mike Lafferty, G; Tim Elliott, G; Greg Bereznoff, FB; Rick Browning, T; Jeff Sperry, T; Chuck Lafountaine, HB; Bob Carroll, WB; Bob Peters, T; Dave Schwark, E.

BRIDGEPORT

The Bearcats have a host of returning linemen, but few backfield men return, so coach Mike Howard turns to his juniors and sophomores for help there. If the junior varsity backfield of a year ago can progress quickly, Bridgeport will be menacing. If not, the Bearcats can do no better than last year's 2-7 squad. Senior Jim Whiting (180) is after his third letter at tackle, as are Dennis Dunning (185) and Dave Ciolek (185). The rest of the positions are not nearly so strong.
BRIDGEPORT (2-7)—0 Douglas MacArthur 44; 18 Flushing 40; 0 Alpena 34; 12 Buena Vista 54; 19 Mount Pleasant 32; 0 BC John Glenn 14; 18 Cadillac 6; 0 Lansing Waverly 26; 12 Clio 0.
RETURNEES—Dennis Dunning, T; Dave Ciolek, T; Steve Mangutz, HB; Bill Vance, QB; Jim Whiting, T; Gene Hopper, E; Dale Nigl, C; Lynn Drielick, T; John Sivey, E; Ron Lake, HB; George Psetas HB; Elmer Dey, G; Duane Hartman, T.

BAY CITY GLENN finished fourth last season and is hoping on the newer players to come through and provide the boost to move up in the standings. It shouldn't quite make the top, though.

WOLVERINE CONFERENCE

Vicksburg should be over-powering enough to win again in '68, though Plainwell could challenge if its younger players come through.

Best Lineman: end Dan Heckman, Allegan;
Best Back: fullback Gary Mannon, Allegan.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Vicksburg	7	0	0	Allegan	3	3	1
Plainwell	5	1	1	Otsego	2	5	0
Three Rivers	4	2	1	Comstock	1	6	0
South Haven	3	3	1	Paw Paw	1	6	0

VICKSBURG

Last fall's undefeated league champions have 17 letterwinners back in 1968. Coach Mike Blough welcomes six defensive and two offensive starters. The Bulldogs must replace their entire offensive line and defensive interior. All-conference defensive halfback Dave Westervelt returns. Linebacker Lyle LaDuke averaged seven solo tackles per game last fall.
VICKSBURG (8-0)—10 Kalamazoo Hackett 7; 26 Comstock Park 6; 19 Plainwell 6; 18 Otsego 0; 19 South Haven 13; 27 Allegan 13; 35 Three Rivers 0; 19 Paw Paw 6.
RETURNEES—Bob Sinclair, QB; Dave Westervelt, HB; Lyle LaDuke, HB; Steve Brockway, G; Barry Fate, FB; Gary Hammel, E; Jim Northum, C; Al Clark, C; Greg Nelson, G; Dan Zonyk, G; George Zonyk, E; Gary Miller, T; Julius Taylor, FB; Steve Smith, T; Sam Rogers, T; Dale Smith, T; Jack Gustafson, E.
SCHEDULE—at Kalamazoo Hackett; Paw Paw; at Comstock Park; Plainwell; at Otsego; South Haven; at Allegan; Three Rivers.

PLAINWELL

The Trojans, who lost 20 seniors to graduation, may be hard-pressed to repeat last fall's second place finish in the circuit. They have 12 lettermen back, led by tackle Tim Clark (225). Coach Jack Streidl's biggest gap is at quarterback, with no veteran back.
PLAINWELL (6-1-1)—25 Wayland 13; 19 Allegan 6; 7 Vicksburg 18; 25 South Haven 19; 26 Otsego 13; 19 Three Rivers 19; 13 Paw Paw 6; 21 Comstock Park 0.
RETURNEES—Mike Pearson, E; Tim Clark, T; Jim Stuifberger, G; Paul Becker, G; Jim Belcher, E-C; Chuck Kauffman, C-RB; Pat Crouch, FB; Jim Gilligan, HB; Wes Williams, MG; Bernie Betke, DHB; Ron Boelman, DHB; Rick Stull, DHB.
SCHEDULE—at Wayland; at Comstock Park; Allegan; at Vicksburg; South Haven; at Three Rivers; Otsego; Paw Paw.

THREE RIVERS

Sixteen letterwinners return for coach Pete Reynolds' team, which had a 4-3-2 record. The Wildcats lost 15 letterwinners, but Reynolds is expecting a winning season. Among those returning are Ron Johnson, 155-pound quarterback, Curtis Shaw, 150-pound halfback and flanker who caught 13 passes, four for touchdowns, and Dave Bloom, senior halfback, who will be captain this fall. Manning line positions are John Hoffman, 160-pound guard, Bill Phillip, 175-pound guard and Lorn Worntinger, 190-pound tackle.
THREE RIVERS (4-3-2)—20 Dowagiac 42; 0 Otsego 6; 19 Paw Paw 13; 33 Comstock 0; 19 Plainwell 19; 14 South Haven 0; 0 Vicksburg 35; 19 Constantine 3; 7 Allegan 7.
RETURNEES—Ron Johnson, QB; Curtis Shaw, HB; Dave Bloom, HB; Pete Leverentz, FB; Tom Spigelmoyer, HB; Jim Hening, HB; John Hoffman, G; Bill Phillip, G; Lorn Worntinger, T; Bill McDonough, C; Doug Simone, E; Doug Davis, E; Robin Baker, E; Steve Anderson, G; Jim Stuck, T; Kevin Fetch, G.
SCHEDULE—Dowagiac; at Otsego; Paw Paw; at Comstock; Plainwell; at South Haven; at Vicksburg; Allegan; at Sturgis.

SOUTH HAVEN

A young and inexperienced team faces Bob Feely's 12th season as head coach. Feely, whose charges have posted a 56-35-5 record over the past 11 campaigns, have 11 lettermen back from last season's 4-3-1 crew.
SOUTH HAVEN (4-3-1)—28 Coloma 0; 7 Otsego 19; 13 Paw Paw 28; 0 Comstock 16; 28 Plainwell 19; 18 Vicksburg 13; 13 Three Rivers 0; 13 Allegan 13.
RETURNEES—Ross Brumbaugh, C; Ron Clay, B; Tim Grimes, E; Randall Hoag, G; Jon Holmes, E; Tim Horan, G; Charles Morhardt, B; Brin Naab, T; Bob Peterson, B; Marty Streback, B; Tony Zacker, T.
SCHEDULE—Coloma; Otsego; at Paw Paw; Comstock; at Plainwell; at Vicksburg; Three Rivers; at Allegan.

ALLEGAN

With 16 lettermen, including 12 starters, back from 1967, coach Jim McKinley's Tigers hope to improve on last season's fifth place finish. They have two excellent all-conference backs returning, in Gary Mannon (180), who set a new loop rushing mark with 787 yards at fullback and Biff McIntire who averaged 8.7 yards rushing at halfback and intercepted six passes on defense. The offensive line, led by center Ben Woodhams (190), will average over 190 pounds.
ALLEGAN (2-4-2)—24 Portage Northern 27; 6 Plainwell 19; 0 Otsego 13; 21 Paw Paw 14; 19 Comstock 14; 14 Vicksburg 27; 13 South Haven 13; 7 Three Rivers 7.
RETURNEES—Mike Andrus, HB; Randy DeHann, G-LB; Jim DeLockery, T; Marc Cook, QB; Dan Heckman, TE; Jim Jackson, G; Gary Mannon, FB; Biff McIntire, HB; Mike Morton, G-LB; Bud Nevenzel, T; Dave Radke, G-LB; Marty Reed, T-DE; Don Koperski, HB; Jim Lautenschleger, G; George Wilcox, HB; Ben Woodhams, C.
SCHEDULE—Portage Northern; Three Rivers; Plainwell; Otsego; Paw Paw; Comstock; Vicksburg; South Haven.

OTSEGO

Coach Robert Miles eyes the 1968 season as a "complete rebuilding year". Miles has only ten seniors on a squad depleted by the loss of several lettermen. Best among the short list of returning veterans is end Dale Holland, who caught 12 passes for 169 yards last year and averaged seven tackles a game. Bart Steele (190) gives the Bulldogs a solid set of flankers, while halfback Mike Ahlberg and fullback Denny Babbitt, both 165-pounders, supply some running punch.
OTSEGO (4-4)—48 Bangor 6; 13 Three Rivers 0; 13 Allegan 0; 0 Vicksburg 18; 14 Paw Paw 6; 13 Plainwell 26; 13 Comstock 26; 7 South Haven 15.
RETURNEES—Dale Holland, E; Bart Steele, E; Mike Ahlberg, HB; Denny Babbitt, FB; Mark Rayman, T; Renny Ransbottom, G; Mike Rex, C.
SCHEDULE—at Bangor; Three Rivers; at Allegan; Vicksburg; Paw Paw; at Plainwell; Comstock; at South Haven.

PAW PAW

Coach Dave St. Aubin lacks experience and depth. Graduation losses left huge holes in the line from a 2-6 team in '67. A quarterback is also sought. Farncis Starr is a returning all-conference halfback, while Rick Dingman at fullback, Bill Schram at guard, John Soule at end and Lew Robinson at halfback are other key returnees.
PAW PAW (2-6)—27 Mattawan 0; 12 South Haven 28; 14 Allegan 21; 13 Three Rivers 19; 6 Otsego 12; 6 Plainwell 12; 6 Vicksburg 19; 39 Bangor 26.
RETURNEES—Rick Dingman, FB; Jim Elmore, HB; Tom Falon, G; Ron Markovich, HB; Steve Payne, QB; Ed Schrass, E; Dan Reszka, HB; Lew Robinson, HB; Bill Schram, G; John Soule, E; Francis Starr, HB.
SCHEDULE—at Mattawan; at Vicksburg; South Haven; at Three Rivers; Allegan; at Otsego; Comstock; at Plainwell.

COMSTOCK was deadlocked with Paw Paw for the league basement last season and figures to fight to avoid the doormat title again this fall.

WOLVERINE U. P. CONFERENCE

Pembine, Wis., may be the top team this year, with Powers-Spalding due to slip a bit in this eight-man football league.

Best Lineman: end Kim Riedy, Powers-Spalding;
Best Back: halfback Richard Smith, Powers-Spalding.

Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Powers	6	0	0	Bark River	2	4	0
Pembine, Wis.	4	2	0	Rock	0	6	0

POWERS-SPALDING

The Tigers lost seven of their eight starters, including three all-conference players from the undefeated 1967 championship team in eight-man football. Coach Mike Forsberg will have 12 lettermen back. The team is led by end Kim Riedy, guard John Nelson, and back Richard Smith.

POWERS-SPALDING (6-0)—55 Bark River 7; 64 Rock 0; 20 Pembine (Wis.) 2; 52 Rock 6; 44 Pembine 19; 59 Bark River 7.

RETURNEES—Kim Riedy, E; John Nelson, G; Douglas Geline, G; Ronald DeLoughary, C; Daniel Fleetwood, E; Jack Fleetwood, QB; James Mileski, B; Richard Smith, B; Donald Sharkey, E; Mark Veeser, G; Robert Weissert, G; David Behrend, G.

SCHEDULE—at Rock; Pembine (Wis.); Bark River; at Pembine; at Bark River; Rock.

BARK RIVER-HARRIS

Senior Dan VanEnkevort and junior Tony Westlake return to anchor coach Tom DeBakker's line. The Broncos hope to regain the form of 1966, when they shared the conference title. Graduated standouts Eric Ahlin and Terry Sagataw must be replaced.

BARK RIVER-HARRIS (2-4-0)—13 Powers-Spalding 41; 37 Rock 0; 14 Pembine, Wis. 40; 37 Rock 0; 16 Pembine, Wis. 31; 6 Powers-Spalding 59.

ROCK

Injuries and an inexperienced team spelled disaster for Rock's Little Giants in 1967, but most of those players who suffered for five games before scoring a touchdown will be a year wiser this fall. Duane Englund, a letterman as a sophomore who missed last season with injury, returns, along with Brian Nummilian, Tom Lippens and Larry Koski to raise hopes for a better season.

ROCK (0-6-0)—0 Pembine, Wis. 49; 0 Bark River-Harris 37; 0 Powers-Spalding 64; 0 Bark River-Harris 37; 0 Powers-Spalding 59; 13 Pembine, Wis. 53.

THE INDEPENDENTS

ALPENA

Dangerous Alpena enters this football campaign with a flock of talent and it looks as if coach Mike Yedinak will have another winning season. The veteran coach heads into his seventh year with 13 lettermen loaded with size, speed and skill. The Wildcats were 5-4 last season and should improve, though a rugged schedule makes it difficult to anticipate an unbeaten year. Quarterback Randy Vanwagoner ran and passed for 809 yards last fall and should be even better this time around. Tackle Fred Grambeau, a 6-4, 244-pound senior, is back also after leading the independent Wildcats with 99 tackles last year.

ALPENA (5-4)—19 Bay City Handy 0; 6 Traverse City 0; 31 Bridgeport 0; 0 Escanaba 26; 6 Flint NW 20; 7 Midland 19; 0 American Soo 6; 9 Mount Pleasant 0; 26 Oscoda 0.

RETURNEES—Bill Boucher, QB; Xavier Zielinski, G; Al Kannowski, FB; Alan Crow, HB; Bruce Zann, G; Larry Fay, HB; Mel Straley, QB; Rod Freel, E; Paul Hornak, E; Fred Grambeau, T; Randy Vanwagoner, QB; Dick King, T; Paul Roberts, T.

SCHEDULE—Bay City Handy; Traverse City; at Bridgeport; at Escanaba; at Flint NW; at Midland; American Soo; Mount Pleasant.

BATTLE CREEK ST. PHILIP

Coach Mike Hume is anxiously looking forward to St. Philip's tough nine-game schedule this season. Last season the Tigers dropped only two of nine games and return 17 men from that squad. Halfback Pat Hoxie will excite more than one fan this season with his great breakaway antics. Last season he exploded for 5.2 yards per carry.

ST. PHILIP (7-2)—14 River Valley 13; 13 Harper Creek 6; 6 St. Joseph 12; 27 Gull Lake 12; 28 Middleville 6; 14 St. Mary 0; 39 Climax 6; 20 Pennfield 0; 0 Galesburg-Augusta 38.

RETURNEES—Mike Everett, E; Eric Sundberg, E; Dennis Fink, E; Lee Lemon, E; Randy Ziraldo, T; Bruce Trusack, T; Mike Nickeon, T; Dana Andrews, G; Steve Lewis, G; Dan Bontiglio, G; Mike Warren, C; Mike Bielinski, C; Bud Llewellan, QB; John Thompson, HB; Pat Hoxie, HB; Tony Brown, FB; Frank Hoover, E.

SCHEDULE—at River Valley; at Harper Creek; St. Joseph; at Gull Lake; Middleville; at Leslie; at Climax; Pennfield; Galesburg-Augusta.

BIG RAPIDS

With 18 returning lettermen, 11 of whom started either offensively or defensively last year, coach John Gibson is looking forward to a very promising '68 season. The Cardinals' biggest factor will be momentum, as their past two seasons have seen continued improvement. Outstanding players returning include Scott Farrell, their leading tackler, and Bob Noe, who intercepted five passes, running two for touchdowns.

BIG RAPIDS (3-2-3)—0 Fremont 6; 12 Muskegon 28; 0 Reed City 19; 6 Ludington 6; 0 Lakeview 0; 36 Fruitport 6; 25 Cedar Springs 7; 13 Cadillac 13.

RETURNEES—Jack Adranse, DT; Steve Bennett, OT; Tom Bowen, DHB; Mark Edmonds, QB; Scott Farrell, C; Norm Grinnell, T; Emanuel Jackson, E; Lance Knight, T; Steve Lange, E; Bob Noe, DHB; Mike Poumade, G; Tim Aurco, E; Dave Vodry, E; Chet Wickman, FB.

SCHEDULE—Fremont; Muskegon; Reed City; Chippewa Hills; Cadillac; Ludington; Fruitport; Cedar Springs.

BLOOMFIELD CRANBROOK

Coach Delvin Walden has 14 lettermen returning from last year's Cranes, who were 5-3 for the season. Among those returning are Craig Tuphy, 185-pound halfback who gained close to 1,000 yards last season, scored ten touchdowns and threw for three more. He'll be captain this season. Dirk Dieters and Rod Fonda will vie for the quarterback position, and will have Bob Drey, Stan Dickson and Bob Northwood at ends to throw to. Mike Pavloff, at center, will hold down the defensive line.

CRANBROOK (5-3)—0 Birmingham Groves 6; 33 Howe Military 0; 28 Detroit County Day 0; 20 Shady Side Academy 6; 12 University School 14; 20 Western Reserve 6; 0 Nichols Academy 32; 12 Gilmour Academy 8.

RETURNEES—Ron Austin, T; Paul Cragin, T; Wap John, T; Bob Drey, E; Stan Dickson, E; Bob Northwood, E; Dirk Dieters, QB; Rod Fonda, QB; Whit Field, G; Jerry Iwanski, G; Mike Pavloff, C; Dennis Harris, G; Craig Tuphy, B; John Wallace, B.

SCHEDULE—Birmingham Groves; Detroit Country Day; Howe Military Academy; Shadyside Academy; University School of Cleveland; Western Reserve; Nichols Academy; Kiski Academy.

BLOOMFIELD LAHSER

The Knights begin varsity play for the first time this season, under coach Dave Coatta, brother of the University of Wisconsin coach, John. Tackle Dave Payne and halfback Jeff Kezlarian are top prospects.

CADILLAC

Nineteen letterwinners return for coach Rex Smith's Cadillac team in 1968. The Vikings finished last in their league last season, but will play as an independent this year. With a strong junior varsity team coming up and players with a year's experience, Smith sees this season as a better one. Among those who look promising are Rick Reitmeyer, second leading tackler last year, Tony Maddox, 225-pound tackle, Gary Behl, who was injured all of last year, but led the team in rushing his sophomore year and Derald Gullekson, who will be co-captain along with Reitmeyer.

CADILLAC (1-8)—13 Manistee 19; 12 Ludington 15; 0 Bay City John Glenn 19; 7 Mt. Pleasant 33; 0 Saginaw Douglas MacArthur 26; 6 Saginaw Buena Vista 33; 6 Bridgeport 18; 12 Big Rapids 13; 18 Fremont 6.

RETURNEES—Greg Leach, QB-HB; Curt Walsh, DHB; Randy Boersma, QB; Jack Purkiss, HB; Mike Ziska, T; Harry Milton, HB; Derald Gullekson, HB; Dan Palker, FB; Tony Maddox, T; Rick Reitmeyer, C; Jim Chifford, G; Jim Kedrowski, G; Dean Deal, G; Tom Lund, G; Dave Bailey, T; Bob Scarbrough, T; Doug Thalman, E; Regan O'Neill, E; Gary Behl, HB.

SCHEDULE—Manistee; Ludington; Bay City John Glenn; Petoskey; Saginaw Douglas MacArthur; Chippewa Hills; Big Rapids; Mt. Pleasant.

CHIPPEWA HILLS

With a speedy and experienced backfield, led by honorable mention Class B quarterback Bryan Bareham (175 pounds), and a small but quick line, the Warriors look forward to big things in their second season of football. Coached by Don Foreman, Chippewa Hills rolled to a 6-2 slate last season, and return 16 lettermen from that squad.

CHIPPEWA HILLS (6-2)—20 Newaygo 0; 6 Meridian 0; 14 Marion 6; 32 Baldwin 6; 7 Alpena CC 25; 6 Ashley 7; 12 Evart 6; 13 Central Montcalm 6.

RETURNEES—Bob Guernsey, E; Terry Simons, E; Richard Smith, E; Jim Doerr, T; Steve Stine, T; Bob Sanger, G; Steve McCall, G; Bryan Bareham, QB; Craig Morton, QB; Louie Squires, QB; Mike Brecht, HB; Steve Lowery, HB; Art Stanley, HB; Don Mayer, HB; Bill Alwood, FB; Mike Simons, HB.

SCHEDULE—Newaygo; Meridian; Fremont; Cadillac; Big Rapids; Evart; Central Montcalm.

DETROIT COUNTRY DAY

With 15 juniors returning, 11 of whom lettered as sophomores, coach Larry Masteller's Detroit Country Day Yellowjackets are looking forward to a promising season. Key man in an offense that exploded for 28 touchdowns is quarterback Jack Zwemer, an All-Area selection, who completed 78 of 141 passes for 14 touchdowns. For most of these scoring strikes he teamed with ends Scott Taber and Al Whitfield. Also sharing the scoring load were halfbacks Mike Lucow, Mitchell Hansen and Bob Marlin.

COUNTRY DAY (5-3)—0 Columbus 6; 19 Morgan Park 20; 26 Hawken 12; 0 Cranbrook 28; 32 Park School 13; 12 Maumee 6; 33 Grosse Pte. 8; 32 De Veaux 0.
RETURNEES—Joe Areeda, C; Carl Guething, T; Pete Mitchell, G; Jack Zwemer, QB; Al Whitfield, E; Bob Marlin, HB; Reed Bohne, E; Gary Assarian, T; Al Henson, G.
SCHEDULE—Morgan Park; Columbus; Cranbrook, Hawken; Park; Maumee; Grosse Pte.; De Veaux.

FLINT NORTHWESTERN

The fifth year for Flint's newest school will be its last as an independent and could be its best. Coach Dave Brines doesn't see the great star available, but has a nucleus of ten steady performers. If the Wildcats could get by perennial power Bay City Central in the second game, they might reach the final one-third of the season with the improvement and experience necessary for its three rivals. Mike Hrapsky at quarterback could become the leader the squad will need. In 1969, the Wildcats will join the Saginaw Valley Conference.
NORTHWESTERN (6-3)—26 Port Huron Northern 12; 13 Bay City Central 25; 27 Owosso 0; 34 Grand Blanc 0; 20 Alpena 6; 17 Flint Southwestern 0; 14 Livonia Stephenson 12; 6 Flint Northern 20; 7 Flint Central 12.
RETURNEES—Mike Roland, E; Tom Bennett, T; Mike Combs, T; Jim Morrison, G; Jesse Collins, G; Farrell Walker, C; Mike Hrapsky, QB; Rudolph Lloyd, HB; Bob Cain, HB; Myron Dudley, FB.
SCHEDULE—Port Huron Northern; at Bay City Central; Willow Run; Mishawaka, Indiana; Alpena; Jackson Lumen Christi; Flint Southwestern; Flint Northern; Flint Central.

LINCOLN PARK

Sporting a young team, studded by many juniors, coach Ron Pascuzzi is hoping his Railsplitter gridders will jell to match or better last year's 5-3-1 record. Seventeen lettermen return, including a defensive one-two punch of Chuck Simino (170 pounds) and Jim Kinney (168). Simino was in on ten tackles a game, while Kinney was credited with five solos per contest.
LINCOLN PARK (5-3-1)—21 Roseville 18; 12 Allen Park 20; 12 Ypsilanti 12; 31 Wayne 12; 24 Dearborn 18; 0 Edsel 27; 0 Melvindale 21; 7 Grosse Pointe 6; 20 Wyandotte 19.
RETURNEES—Dennis Huck, LB-T; Brent Hunt, DHB; Jim Duncan, DHB; Dennis Miller S-HB; Jim Kinney, LB; Dennis Bartlett, E-HB; Ralph Brannon, E; Chuck Simino, C-LB; Jim Laylorn, C; Dan Morcho, MG; Mike White, MG; Dennis Huck, T-LB; Steve Susizh, T; David Clay, T; Hugh Brown, T; Bill Long, E; Mark Fuhrer, E.
SCHEDULE—at Fordson; Allen Park; at A. A. Huron; at Romulus; Waterford Mott; at Grosse Pointe; Wyandotte.

JACKSON LUMEN CHRISTI

The consolidation of Jackson St. Mary's and St. John's figure to make former St. John's coach Jim Crowley's first season as mentor of the new school a highly enjoyable one. With a combined list of 27 returning lettermen, including halfbacks Phil Piotrowski and Marcilino Gonzales, fullback Rick Krist and end Tom Devine. Piotrowski ran for 865 yards for St. John's last year, while Gonzales cruised for 600 yards at St. Mary's. Krist, who doubles as a fine placekicker, totaled 400 yards in 1967 for St. John's.
ST. JOHN'S (7-2)—39 A. A. Huron 12; 34 Hillsdale 0; 0 Jackson Parkside 12; 53 St. Andrew 0; 0 Albion 20; 27 Portage Northern 7; 12 Grand Rapids CC 6; 21 St. Joseph 0; 35 St. Mary 0.
RETURNEES—Steve LeFere, HB; Phil Piotrowski, HB; Rick Krist, FB; Dave Sayers, QB; Tom Devine, E; Tim Matteson, T; Bill Murray, T; Chuck Pahl, T; Howard Lougheed, E; Mike Kuras, HB; Dave Southwell, G; Kent O'Neil, G; Bob Powels, FB; Tim Janiak, T; Dave Malec, C; John Piolon, C; Andrew Paquin, HB; Vincent Pangdorn, HB; Tom Stevens, E; Steve Foster, QB; Frank Blackman, E; Mike McGowan, G; Tom McGowan, G; Tim Mead, C; Tom Palec, C; David Valkochad, HB.
SCHEDULE—A. A. Huron; Jackson; Jackson Parkside; Albion; Flint Northwestern; Grand Rapids CC; St. Joseph; Ypsilanti.

LAKE LINDEN-HUBBELL

The Whiz Kids face a rebuilding year under coach Russell J. Laurin. Although 13 lettermen return, they have little size or experience. On defense, Brian Erkkila at middle linebacker and Ray Gervais (195) at tackle stand out. Halfback Ken Parker should lead the offense. Underclassmen will have to fill the holes at fullback and one tackle.
LAKE LINDEN (4-2-2)—0 Florence (Wis.) 0; 13 Ontonogan 13; 6 Hancock 33; 7 Escanaba Holy Name 21; 7 Hurley (Wis.) 0; 6 Houghton 0; 35 Marquette Baraga 6; 35 Engadine 20.
RETURNEES—Dennis Olli, HB; Richard Schneider, QB; Brian Erkkila, HB; Dennis Pini, HB; James Kahler, HB; Ken Parker, HB; David Baril, G; Robert Olli, G; Roger Isola, C; Raymond Gervais, T; Robert Belo, E; James Hodges, E; James Sarazin, E.
SCHEDULE—Florence (Wis.); Ontonogan; Hancock; Stephenson; Houghton; L'Anse.

MANISTEE CATHOLIC

Jake Ciccone enters his fifth year of guiding Manistee Catholic football fortunes with a serious shortage of experienced linemen.

The Sabers were unbeaten in nine games last year with only a tie marring a perfect season. Some unexpected help from the junior varsity will be needed to come close to that mark this year. The Sabers are loaded with backfield wealth, but a weak front line will certainly curb the efforts of a fine backfield crop. Junior quarterback Mark Neilson, who scored eight touchdowns and threw for seven others last year, heads the returnees. Dick Wicinski (200), Rick Thatcher (140) and Jim Kolanowski (170) are all experienced halfbacks and Ciccone may switch Wicinski to fullback to give the Sabers tested veterans at every backfield spot. But only end Cass Cabot, a 170-pound senior, returns on the line, so another unbeaten season is distinctly remote.
MANISTEE CATHOLIC (8-0-1)—25 Traverse City SF 20; 60 Alpena CC 20; 63 Petoskey SF 20; 53 Shelby 20; 43 Cheboygan CC 0; 7 Scottville 0; 6 Ludington 6; 21 Reed City 0; 40 Fruitport 0.
RETURNEES—Mark Neilson, QB; Dick Wicinski, HB; Rick Thatcher, HB; Jim Kolanowski, HB; Cass Cabot, E.
SCHEDULE—Petoskey SF; Cardinal Ritter; Alpena CC; Shelby; Cheboygan CC; Scottville; Ludington; Reed City; Traverse City SF.

ROEPER CITY

Roeper City makes its football debut this season and, like most first experiences, apprehension surrounds it. The Roughriders can expect a rough ride from a makeshift six-game schedule this fall. Coach Sidney Fox has a few bright spots among his candidates, but none have any varsity experience, of course, and the Roughriders showed little promise during an 0-4 junior varsity season last year. Opponents outscored them 173-19, and even more stern competition lies ahead this fall.

Art Luby (140) and Greg Carter (175) should be the starting halfbacks with Dale Scarlett (150) calling the signals so the Roughriders will not have much weight in the backfield.

Curtis Blessing, a 6-4 170-pound end, is the only flanker with solid potential and guards Bob Russell and Randy Jasin round out the small list of experienced personnel.

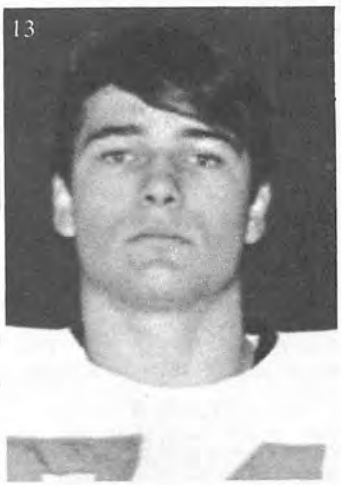
Some help will come from tackles Corey Krause and Peter Crawford and Dave Edwards could surprise at center but the rest of the line-up will be patchwork for Fox and a victory in Roeper City's infant season seems pretty remote.

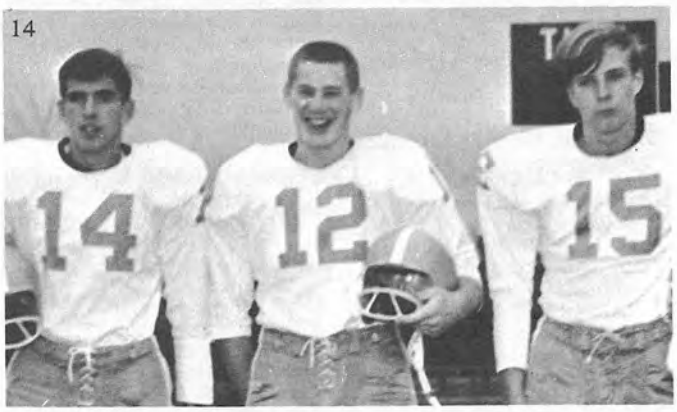
Fox admits it will be a difficult year and probably knows that the Roughriders will be taking more than their share of bumps this season but, since there are no seniors on the squad, experience will be back next year and the Roughriders will be delivering a few of their own.
ROEPER (0-4)—0 Southfield Lathrup 74; 13 G.P.U.S. 32; 6 Annapolis 40; 0 Detroit Country Day 27.
RETURNEES—Dave Edwards, C; Curtis Scott, G; Bob Russell, G; Randy Iasin, G; Corey Krause, T; Peter Crawford, T; Dave Dekker, E; Curtis Blessing, E; Dale Scarlett, QB; Greg Carter, HB; Art Luby, HB; Bruce Webster, FB; Mike White, HB; Ricky Koretz, HB; Joe Stanton, T; Mark Jeffery, HB.
SCHEDULE—Pontiac Emanuel Christian; at Maumee Valley; at Ashley; at G.P.U.S.; Ashley; Pontiac Emanuel Christian.

RUDYARD

Coach Terry Gough hopes to avoid a repeat of last season's mid-year reversal, which saw his Bulldogs win their first two starts and then drop four of their last five. Reggie Barefield, a junior who saw considerable action last year as a sophomore, may help.
RUDYARD (3-4-0)—26 Sault Loretto 6; 31 Brimley 0; 7 Newberry 38; 33 Pickford 7; 0 Cheboygan 33; 7 St. Ignace 26; 6 Manistique 18.

MICHIGAN FANS—GREATEST IN THE WORLD





1) *Walt Zientek heads for daylight for Saginaw.Buena Vista in action from last season.*

2) *Sturgis coach Harley Pierce*

3) *Allegan coach Jim McKinley*

4) *St. Philip coach Mike Hume.*

5) *John Bifoss, head coach at Cass City*

6) *Archie MacGillivray, Vassar*

7-10) *Hart players Randy Olmstead, Brent Clark, Dan Greiner, Gary Dean.*

11) *Gary Mannon of Allegan fights off Paw Paw defenders in '67 game Allegan won,* 21-14.

12) *Larry Thorp, Sanford-Meridian.*

13) *Rich Finney, Sanford-Meridian.*

14) *Dave Dunn, Bruce Fillmore, Jeff Gordon—Sanford-Meridian.*

1968 MICHIGAN FOOTBALL "200 BEST BET PREPS"

Of all the duties and requirements involved in the compilation of this magazine, none was more difficult than that of picking our pre-season all-state team for 1968.

When the teams are picked by the various wire services and coaches polls, it is much easier. They have a past season to go on.

Nevertheless, we stuck our neck out and tried to select the most representative "best bet" possibilities that we could.

Naturally, there will be agreement and disagreement in areas, but the controversy that picking such teams provides is really what it's all about anyway.

We decided it was next to impossible to accurately determine a first eleven, second eleven, and so on. So, we decided to pick the "best" of the lot, no particular number at any position. These players are the ones to watch in 1968.

The best of the ENDS:

CLASS A

Randolph Logan, Detroit Northern
Harry Peterson, Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher
Graham Tillotson, Mt. Pleasant
Carlton Vines, Musk. Heights
Leon Roberts, Portage Northern
Mike Skerske, Roseville

CLASS B

Mike McMullen, Bad Axe
Harry Doege, Caledonia
Russell Ray, Carlton-Airport
Sam Waldron, Cent. Montcalm
Bob Tissot, Corunna
Mel Lewis, Fowlerville
Steve Nelson, Gladstone
Larry Brown, Ithaca
Dennis McNamara, Lansing O'Rafferty
Dave Hammond, Otisville-Lakeville
Dan Schell, Otisville-Lakeville

CLASS C

Larry Smith, Almont
Ron Rush, Armada
Mike Pentrich, Breckenridge
Frank Crachiolo, Detroit St. Ambrose
Jim Goolsby, Detroit St. Martin
Ron Haskins, Eau Claire
Steve Morgan, Hartland
Lance Ashbaugh, Holton
Earl Clay, Homer
Bob Pratt, Manchester
Brian Hicks, Marquette Bishop Baraga
Gary Schneider, White Pigeon

CLASS D

Tim Tischer, DeTour
Tim Theisen, St. Joseph Cath.

The best of the TACKLES and LINEBACKERS:

CLASS A

Paul Schmidt, Battle Creek Central
Tony Smith, Det. Henry Ford
Thomas Robinson, Det. Northern
Ron Stien, Detroit U of D
Valdy Gailitis, East Lansing
Mike McClain, Garden City W.
Bill Dulac, Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher
Larry Hoste, Harper Woods Notre Dame
Gary Radzik, Harper Woods Notre Dame
Dave Yonka, Mt. Clemens
Bill Lubs, Southfield
Roger Brown, Temp.-Bedford
Chuck Gillespie, Troy

CLASS B

Roger Hassen, Buchanan
Bill Rhodes, Columbia Central
Mike Partaka, Croswell-Lex.
Loren Taylor, Flint Hamady
Willie Hurst, Flushing
Mike Velving, Kelloggsville
Bob Niemascz, M. H. Lamphere
Dan Hobart, Manistee
Jerry Martin, New Baltimore Anchor Bay
Cory Gildersleeve, Oscoda
Joe Luttrell, Stevensville-Lakeshore

CLASS C

Rich Barry, Bellevue
George Penna, Detroit Nativity
Jim Stokas, Detroit St. Gregory
Glenn Niederhofer, Detroit St. Lawrence
Steve Klinge, Farwell
Rich Rumery, Gobles
Larry Avery, Hartford
Tim Iles, Mich. Luth. Seminary
Luke Roy, R. O. St. Mary's
Ken Frost, Saginaw St. Mary's
Rich Bell, St. Charles
Chuck Dmochowski, Williamston

CLASS D

Steve Fouty, North Adams
Ray Youngs, Potterville
Roger Chase, Vestaburg

The best of the GUARDS:

CLASS A

Steve Moylon, Det, E. Catholic
Bob Wallish, Grand Haven
Glenn Radzik, Harper Woods Notre Dame

CLASS B

George Tamblym, Bad Axe
Craig Yager, Bullock Creek
Jim Fabris, Dbn. Hts. Riverside
Rick Neiat, Menominee
Barry Paxton, Montrose
Dave Johnson, Negaunee
John Decker, St. Clair
Joe Frontzcock, Watervliet
Kevin Gawronski, W. Blmfld.

CLASS B

Greg Stephens, Byron Center
Bill Gartner, Det. St. Agatha
Jim Birmingham, Detroit St. Thomas
Gary Fletcher, Farwell
Wayne Allen, Goodrich
Dave Keller, Morenci
Larry Young, North Muskegon
John Weise, Riv. Gab. Richard
Kevin Shea, Saginaw St. Mary's
Dick Crapser, Vandercook Lake
Steve Kruzel, Ypsilanti St. John's

CLASS D

Ruben Chavey, Potterville

The best of the CENTERS:

CLASS A

Bob Johnson, Detroit U of D
Larry Smith, G. R. Central

CLASS B

Tim Periard, Birch Run
Dan Greiner, Hart
Dave Young, Mt. Morris
Larry LeBeau, Muskegon Reeths-Puffer

CLASS C

Wendell Nielsen, Edmore-Montabella
Larry Renner, Farwell
Rod Morgan, Onoway
Terry Brocmer, Ontonagon

CLASS D

Greg Allen, Mendon
Pat Weller, Portland St. Patrick

The best of the QUARTERBACKS:

CLASS A

Ron Gifford, Battle Creek Central
Ron Karlis, Center Line
Gary Vizina, Flint Beecher
Bob Clinard, Milford
Brad Van Pelt, Owosso
Rob Dilday, Utica
Byron Hebert, Wyandotte Roos.

CLASS B

John Jessup, Berrien Springs
Kim Rothfuss, Columbia Central
Russ Gartha, Det. Luth. West
Frank Kolch, Detroit Servite
Roger Thompson, East Jackson
Jim Martin, Flat Rock
Dave Butkovich, Kal. Hackett
Jim Hopkins, Michigan Center
Marc Neifert, Okemos
Doug Sims, Reed City
Robin Brennan, W. Bloomfield
Jack Cassette, Whitehall

CLASS C

John Bacholzky, Almont
Bryan Bareham, Chippewa Hills
Jack Zwemer, Det. Coun. Day
Pete Dion, Detroit St. Rita
Mike Darnell, Farwell
Ron Francetic, Harrison
Randy Hoover, Lake Fenton
Mark Neilson, Manistee Cath.
Scott Scofield, Richmond
Bob Pasionek, St. Charles
Jim Dunchel, Sebewaing

CLASS D

Bob Staskiewicz, Carsonville
Martin Ledy, DeTour
Dave Moorman, Marcellus
Bob Jones, Mendon
Don Winchester, Mt. Morris St. Mary
John Hartner, New Baltimore Anchor Bay Catholic

The best of the BACKS:

CLASS A

Dennis Way, Battle Creek Central
Greg Wood, Birmingham Groves
Mike Skrobe, Detroit Cody
Ron Harrison, Detroit Cooley
Jack Kline, Detroit Denby
Larry Borum, Detroit Kettering
Dallas Morgan, Detroit Murray-Wright
Tom Valente, Detroit U of D
Mark Grua, East Lansing
Craig Walenga, G. R. Cath. Cen.
Greg Dyer, L'Anse Creuse
Carl Strickland, Lansing Everett
Munn Sherwin, Mt. Clemens
Tim Boyer, Pontiac Catholic
Walt Gary, Port Huron Northern
Charles Markey, Saginaw

CLASS B

Ray Meldrum, Algonac
Biff McIntyre, Allegan
Dave Westervelt, Allegan
Benton Phillips, Bullock Creek
Craig Tuphy, Bloomfield Cranbrook
Joe Kincaid, Corunna
Jim Wilson, Dbn. Sacred Heart
Mike Nelson, Greenville
Gary Henson, Gwinn
Dick Rodgers, Hillsdale
Greg Wilson, Ionia
Jim Simcox, Ithaca
Phil Piotrowski, Jackson Lumen Christi
Tom Kelly, Linden
Craig Webster, Mason
Pat Collins, Menominee
George Maus, Monroe Jefferson
Francis Starr, Paw Paw
Greg Ward, Portland
Rick Clark, Riverview
Paul Stoliker, Sandusky
Archie MacGillivray, Vasser
Dave Westervelt, Vicksburg
Steve Goit, Waterford Township
Dennis Santo, Warren Mott

CLASS C

Fred Cunningham, Carson City Crystal
Chuck Mangold, Colon
Jim Essian, Detroit St. Martin
Kevin Gribi, Elk Rapids
Steve Sanderson, Middleville
Ernie Green, Napoleon
Kurt Boyd, North Muskegon
Mark Johnson, North Muskegon
Tom Hendrik, Olivet
Biff Tyrna, Riv. Gab. Richard
Jim Dupuis, Ypsilanti St. John's

CLASS D

Lee Feldman, Deerfield
Denny Van Tiem, Marine City Holy Cross
Fred Guitar, Our Lady of Lake Huron
Bob Mackey, Pittsford
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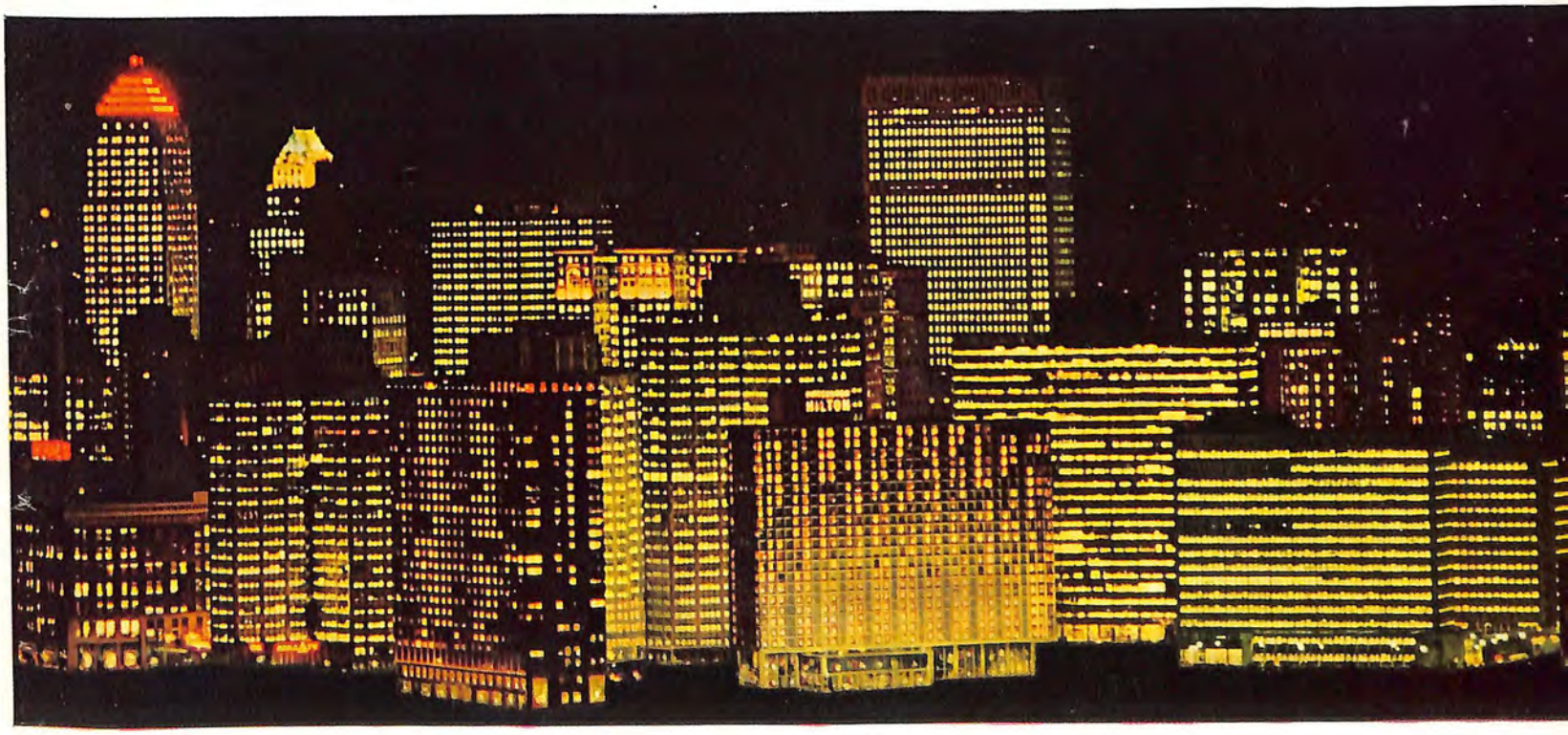

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